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Tragic end for beauty queen mum

Helen Baker

A FORMER Black Country beauty queen who used to welcome members of pop sensation Take That into her home died after a long battle with alcoholism, a coroner ruled.

Black Country coroner Mr Robin Balmain recorded a verdict of death as a result of abuse of a dependent drug at Dudley Coroners Court on Helen Baker, who won the Miss Stourbridge Crystal title in 1995.

Mother-of-one Miss Baker, aged 35, of Ragees Road, Kingswinford, was found dead at home on December 18, an inquest heard.

Her mother, Margaret, who has taken in Miss Baker's daughter, Saskia, aged 10, said they knew of her drinking for about six years but only realised the extent after her death.

Damage

She said bank statements over 12 months showed Miss Baker got through about one 1.5litre bottle of vodka a day.

She was diagnosed with peripheral neuropathy – or nerve damage – in August 2009, which left her partially disabled. Pathologist Dr Sixto Batitang said her liver was five times the size of a normal, healthy one and had been hard, which was a common symptom of cirrhosis.

The level of alcohol in her body was 92mg per 100ml of blood – slightly over the maximum legal driving limit of 80mg. "The only thing I can put her death down to is that she went into acute liver failure," he said.

Friends previously said she dated a friend of Robbie Williams and became friendly with the star and other Take That members, who would call at her home.

New gym plan wins backing

WORK on a new gym as part of a £1million revamp at Stourbridge College is scheduled to begin next month.

A planning application to transform a courtyard and the old staff dining room into a new development for students and staff to work out has been given approval by bosses at Dudley Council.

The college said it was now going through the contractor tender process and hoped to start work in May.

Restoration fears over delay on scheme to turn historic foundry into health centre

ONE of the Black Country's "most important" buildings is in severe danger of falling beyond repair if urgent action is not taken soon, campaigners have warned.

The grade II listed Foster and Rastrick Foundry site in Lowndes Road, Stourbridge, has stood empty for more than eight years, during which time it has been repeatedly targeted by vandals.

Landowners Quadrant Land Partnership won approval to transform it into a medical complex at the beginning of last year – but there has been no sign of progress.

The West Midlands Historic Buildings Trust has now completed a report into alternative uses, which will be revealed in May.

Ward councillor Malcolm Knowles said residents were "extremely concerned" about the state of the building. "It needs something done as soon as possible. This is part of Stourbridge's heritage – a very important part – and it's in danger of getting into so bad a state it can't be restored. We need to look after it." The foundry is one of the area's few grade II listed buildings, and is one of five listed buildings on the site.

At risk – the listed Foster and Rastrick Foundry

It has been standing empty since 2003 and has been on English Heritage's register as being seriously at risk since 1999.

English Heritage spokeswoman Helen Bowman added: "We share the concerns of local people and the council about the condition of the building and are anxious to see it brought back into use as soon as possible."

The 30,000-sq ft healthcare complex would be named The Lion Medical Centre in recognition of the foundry having manufactured the first steam locomotive to run on rails in America in 1829, known by as the "Stourbridge Lion".

A spokeswoman for property developers Quadrant Land Partnership, of Malt Mill Lane, Halesowen, said "the company did not wish to make a comment at this time".

Car park produced £190,000

A CAR PARK in Stourbridge which will be demolished as part of plans to build a Tesco in the town centre made £196,000 last year for Dudley Council.

The 458-space Bell Street multi-story will make way for the £50million project, creating new shops and a 60,000sq ft Tesco at the Crown Centre.

Drivers will be directed to other car parks – council chiefs say there is enough space at sites such as the Ryemarket multi-storey, Church Street and Birmingham Street.

Dudley Council Council spokeswoman Katherine Finney said: "We will be notifying users of other council car parks nearby."

URGENT CALL ON SAFETY REPAIRS

A FRESH call has been made for urgent safety work to be carried out on a wall feared to be in danger of collapse on a busy main road in Brierley Hill.

Concrete blocks were put alongside a 300ft-stretch of wall more than 18 months ago because of concerns it was unstable.

Estimates for repairs were in the region of £3 million when the problem came to light about two years ago. A bid was made for cash from Advantage West Midlands.

But the organisation is being wound up this year to be replaced by Creative England, leaving it unclear where funding will come from.

A report drawn up by Dudley Council engineers said the main section of wall in Church Street supported massive earth pressures from a man-made terraced embankment sloping down from Church Hill and the Brierley Hill War Memorial above.

Ward councillor Zafar Islam said proposals should be on the table to tackle the issue before it gets more serious.

"We need to find some money for this because it has been assessed as being in need to repair just to stabilise it so it is not at risk," he said.

"This is an important area because many people go to visit the war memorial and it is the centre of the commemorations during Remembrance Day when the town gathers to pay its respects. We don't want this to become a political issue and we have had assurances from Councillor Angus Adams that the issue will be looked at."

Buffer

Church Hill leads up from near the junction for the Brierley Hill bypass, Venture Way, up and around the memorial into Seager's Lane.

The row of concrete blocks stretches along the pavement and past a bus stop to act as a buffer in case the wall starts to collapse.

Council spokesman Phil Parker said: "We are monitoring the situation and will carry out minor safety works in the coming weeks in order to remove any loose coping bricks."

From left, club administrator Hannah Rowbottom, players Matt Williams and Rupert Cooper (player), three of the 14 members who had their heads shaved for charity and raised £3,745, with chairman Dick Jeavons-Fellows

Close shave in aid of Izzy

IT WAS a close shave for 14 members of Stourbridge Rugby Club as they went under the razor to raise more than £3,700 for charity.

Players and staff volunteered to lose their locks in aid of four-year-old Izzy Waterfield, who is currently fighting leukaemia.

Stourbridge Saxons centre Tom Jarvis came up with the idea while teammate Matt Williams helped organise the event on April 9.

The team hoped to raise £500 for Leukaemia and Lymphoma Research – and came up with £3,745.

Matt, who is also the club's community development officer, said Izzy and mum Vicky had been the key to raising so much money.

"Izzy is an amazing young person, a fountain of strength," he said.

Izzy's current chemotherapy is set to last for more than two years – it is a 118-week course.

Vicky, of Grampian Road, Stourbridge, said: "There are good days and bad days but the outlook is good. She is such a positive little girl."

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From the terrace to the steppes

Albion fan Kate on Russian TV

Black Country girl Kate Partridge has made her way from the stands of The Hawthorns to more than 200 million front rooms as a sports presenter on Russian channel RT. She speaks to ANDREW McGILL

YOU might not have heard of Kate Partridge. But for millions of Russians around the world, she is a household name.

She grew up in the Black Country but has been a fixture on RT – the country's first English-language news channel Russia Today – for more than two years.

Born in Sandwell General Hospital, Kate attended Kingswinford School and King Edward VI Sixth Form College in Stourbridge. She worked as a sports journalist for the Daily Mail, ITV and Chelsea TV before the opportunity to move to Russia came up in 2009.

She says: "I can't explain it but I've always known that, at some point, I would live in Russia – I even did Russian GCSE at night school.

"Moscow is a fascinating city and not as I'd imagined growing up in England. It never sleeps. There are so many shops and lots of clubs and bars are 24-hour or serve you until you leave.

"The ring road around the centre can have up to 16 lanes of traffic and is never quiet. There's also enough history, culture, architecture and beauty here to keep any connoisseur entertained.

"There's more English spoken than you might think; the street signs in the centre are written in English as well and there are global and western brands – not just McDonald's and Starbucks – everywhere." Kate, who is in her 30s, is a studio-based presenter at RT, hosting bulletins every two hours during the afternoon and evening news bulletin.

She also appears in a magazine show called Prime Time Russia every week night at 8pm as well as hosting live events, such as the announcement of Russia's winning 2018 World Cup bid.

Kate says: "Our reporters go to major events like the Olympics and World Cup as well as following the Russian national football team. The Russians love sport – the biggest across the country are football and ice hockey."

RT broadcasts from Moscow and Washington to 100 countries across five continents. More than 400 million viewers have access to the channel, broadcast via 21 satellites and 176 cable networks, and can claim to have been seen in half those homes.

The wide reach means Kate's family – including her mother and step-father Jennie and Rob Grainger who live near Kidderminster – can easily keep up with her progress.

She said: "Judging by the text messages, they definitely do watch me."

Kate caught the bug for sport in the stands at The Hawthorns.

Young

She says: "I'm a West Brom fan because it is in the blood. I was born in West Bromwich, and my entire family and extended family has supported the club since it started out in 1878.

"It wouldn't have crossed my mind to support any other club – I think my father would have disowned me.

"I can't remember my first match as I was too young but I can just about remember being held up in the crowd for the day when Bryan Robson, Remi Moses and Ron Atkinson said goodbye to the Hawthorns before going to Manchester United."

"I'll never forget my first impression of The Hawthorns: the volume of people, the noise, the excitement, the banter, the tension – it was unlike anything I'd experienced. I thought it was brilliant, exciting and addictive. And that was before the football started."

Kate said keeping up with the Baggies' progress is rarely a problem in Moscow.

She says: "There are numerous sports bars that receive satellite channels from around the world, so I have as much chance of watching West Brom here as I do in England.

"The Russians also love the English Premier League as well as watching their own and the other European football leagues, so I rarely miss a match unless I'm working."

Kate is confident the Baggies will continue to thrive in the Premier League. She says: "If Albion continue playing the way they are, despite the nature of the bottom half of the Premier League, they should avoid the drop.

"Roy Hodgson officially joined West Brom on Valentine's Day – and he is definitely enjoying a love affair with the Baggies fans."

From Russia, with love for the Baggies – Kate Partridge

Baggies fan Kate Partridge, who was born in Sandwell General Hospital

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How US firm made its Marx over in Dudley

AUCTIONEERS are trying to discover more about children's toys that were manufactured by an American toymaker at its Dudley factory before the Second World War.

The intricate toys were made by workers at Louis Marx and Co Ltd which had a base in Hall Street, Dudley, around 100 years ago.

The firm's headquarters were in New York but there was also a European base in the Black Country, believed to have been an export hub.

Chris Aston, a director at Dudley-based toy specialists Aston's Auctioneers, discovered the toys for sale at a recent auction.

One of his purchases is called a Marx Merrymaker, a clockwork toy with moving mice thought to have been produced in the 1930s.

Trademark

It has a trademark on the back which gives Dudley as its place of manufacture.

Mr Aston, aged 27, bought the toy for around £500 and hopes to find out more about Louis Marx and Co Ltd to create an exhibition about the toymaker at his auction house in Tower Street.

He also brought an early car toy called a Marx Streamline Speedway, an electric car track racing game in its packaging.

"We thought they were a great find because Louis Marx was a well-known toy manufacturer in America," he said.

"Not many people know it had a factory in Dudley.

"They are quite rare as there are many toys produced by the firm on the market from the 1960s and 1970s but not many from pre-war and made in Dudley.

"We would love to find out more about their origin."

Anyone with any information can call 01384 250220 or visit www.aston-sauctioneers.co.uk

Auctioneer Chris Aston with the clockwork toy

The toy is incredibly detailed

It bears the Marx brand name

Club gets to grips with plan

A JUDO CLUB that has produced Olympic hopefuls is reviving its plans for a new centre in Kidderminster – after battling through red tape and funding problems for three years.

Samurai Judo Club in Kidderminster wants to construct a new base on disused tennis courts at Gilt Edge Social Club in Zortech Avenue. The project has been hit by delays since being given planning permission in April 2009 – so a new application has now been made for a scaled-down building, and the club's chief coach is optimistic.

The club, which has run for 30 years, has seen membership rocket to 140 and has outgrown its current premises at an industrial unit in Lisle Avenue, Kidderminster.

Funding problems have seen the planned building reduced in size. It will now be just one storey instead of two with a cost of £230,000 – a saving of £100,000.

There is scope for the club to be extended in the future.

Chief coach Andrew Haffner said the new premises could be up by the autumn. Members include London 2012 Olympics hopeful Kate Walker.

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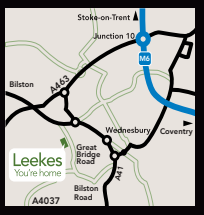

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Disabled man, 33, must pay £20 a day to work

AN UNPAID worker has been told he must pay £20 a day to carry out his job at a Kidderminster charity – because of Government spending cuts.

Mark Green, who has cerebral palsy, was told of the charges by charity Beacon Employment which says Government cuts mean it can no longer subsidise support staff to help him.

Mr Green and other workers do their jobs with the help of the support workers. Mr Green, aged 33, who cannot use his left-hand side for skilled work, had worked on assembling lightweight packaging and gas lighters two days a week, but stopped after the charges took effect on April 15.

The charity, at Hoo Farm industrial estate near Kidderminster, helps people who struggle to find work.

But it says the withdrawal of Government funding means the project is no longer self-financing.

The organisation's projects include making bird boxes, gardening, and assembling packaging.

Mark Green with the letter telling him of the charges

Necessary

Mr Green's mother, Audrey Green, a retired newsagent, said: "He's not going to a safari park or the seaside, he's going to work.

"I'm disgusted by it. When you have a disabled child you spend your whole life fighting to get stuff and I am sick of it."

Mrs Green, who lives with her husband John and her son, said: "Mark already pays his petrol prices to get to the charity.

"He only gets his disability living allowance, and it's not enough for him to pay for this."

Beacon chief executive Sandy Beech said similar projects elsewhere in the county cost as much as £65 a day.

She added: "It is a really difficult situation. We tried to set up this project with the aim of it being self-funded but that has not been possible.

"Parents, carers and users coming to the projects tell us they enjoy and value the experience.

"We want to keep projects going because of that, so we've decided to put these costs to the clients to keep them going."

Home's send-off for a veteran of Normandy

THE Last Post rang out in the Black Country as a Normandy veteran was laid to rest.

Members of the Royal British Legion gathered at Sandwell Valley Crematorium on Friday to pay their respects to George Mills.

Mr Mills, aged 88, was born in Wales and grew up in Bath but moved, first to Cannock and then to Spring Road, Tipton, with wife Glenis.

Glenis died in the 1980s and Mr Mills eventually moved into the Lyndon Hill Nursing Home, West Bromwich, where he lived until he died on March 9.

George Mills recently

As he had no children, staff at the care home worked with the Royal British Legion and National Federation of Standard Bearers to give him an appropriate send-off.

Home administrator Lorraine Westwood said the veteran was a "lovely man". She said: "He was quiet but he seemed proud of his medals and had a lot of photographs and memorabilia in his room. It is a shame we've not been able to find more of his family but we believe this was a fitting send-off."

His coffin, draped in the Union Flag, entered the crematorium to the sound of Vera Lynn's White Cliffs of Dover, and mourners filed out to the sound of another wartime classic We'll Meet Again. A white dove was released following the ceremony.

It is believed Mr Mills, born on March 7, 1923, drove tanks in World War II and, aged 21, took part in the Normandy landings in 1944.

Distant relatives from his wife's family attended the service, where Tipton RBL members and standard bearers formed a guard of honour at the Newton Road crematorium.

It's girl power at shops centre

A MIDLAND girl band tipped for the charts performed a marathon six live sets in one day for shoppers at Dudley's Merry Hill centre.

PaperDoll hope to follow in the footsteps of boy band The Wanted who performed at the centre's amphitheatre just weeks before achieving national success.

Members Natasha Morris, aged 21, of Lichfield, Caitlin Gilbert, 16 and Jessica Hickling, 17, both of Tamworth, took to the stage at 10am on Saturday, April 16 and performed 45-minute sets until 4.30pm.

Shoppers watched the band perform a selection of songs, including single Don't Let Me Dance on My Own, throughout the day. Caitlin and Jessica are both students at Wilnecote High School, Tamworth.

Both are still studying for A-levels and balancing the work with their fledgling pop careers.

Girl band PaperDoll – Natasha Morris, aged 21, Caitlin Gilbert, 16, and Jessica Hickling, 17 – perform for shoppers at the Merry Hill centre

Campaigners appeal for help in restoring church

CAMPAIGNERS working to restore and preserve a landmark Black Country church are appealing for more volunteers to boost their fundraising efforts.

St John's Church Preservation Group has been battling for years to get the historic place of worship, in Kates Hill, Dudley, re-opened and has raised thousands of pounds. But members say more volunteers are needed if the campaign is to grow.

They have launched volunteer information events on the first Friday and third Monday of every month to boost numbers.

More people are needed to run a drop-in centre. Volunteers are also needed to run stalls at Dudley market, in the town's Plaza Mall on Saturdays, and at Dudley Library.

People are also needed to deliver leaflets and carry out maintenance at the church.

Volunteers can be aged 16 and over.

Spokeswoman Deb Brownlee said the volunteer helpers were fantastic, but more were needed.

She added: "We are volunteer run and everything we have achieved has been through local people working out of a genuine desire to see the church saved and reopened.

"We need a lot more helpers now, and we need them urgently."

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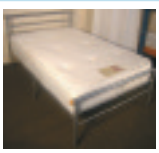

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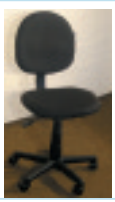

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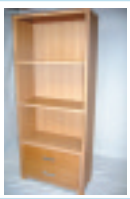

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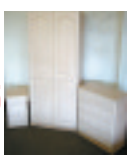

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Garden queries: Archers get the answer

Jane Bache and Molly outside the village hall

A MIDLANDS village became radio soap's Ambridge for the day during a special anniversary edition of Gardeners' Question Time.

Cutnall Green, between Stourport and Droitwich, was chosen to stand in for the village for the recording of a special version of Gardeners' Question Time.

The show, broadcast on BBC Radio 4 on Easter Sunday, featured characters from The Archers asking experts for advice on how to make their gardens grow.

Devotees of the "everyday story of country folk" have debated the exact location of the fictional village of Ambridge, where the soap is set, for years.

And it seems Cutnall Green may now be the closest thing to the radio favourite.

Anniversary

Although the special gardening show was billed as being broadcast from Ambridge, the taping actually took place at Cutnall Green Memorial Hall, in Addis Lane, on March 22.

Producers chose the location because it was the closest match to the Borsetshire community with a village post office and pub in exactly the right spots.

It is part of the 60th anniversary celebrations for the programme which started in 1951 after a pilot in 1950 proved successful.

But the recording came as a major surprise to residents who thought they were attending a normal taping of Gardeners' Question Time.

The first half of the taping was for a normal edition of the long-running gardening show with questions taken from members of Hartlebury Gardening Club and other members of the community.

But they were told the second half would be "a surprise" and were delighted when chairman of the panel Eric Robson read out the names of characters from the soap.

The actors then entered the hall and took their seats on the front row.

Among the actors taking part were Charles Collingwood as Brian Aldridge, Eric Allan as Bert Fry, and June Spencer as Peggy Archer.

Hall bookings secretary Jane Bache, aged 58, said: "All we were told was that there would be a surprise in the second half after the first show had been taped.

"When the names were read out there was a ripple of recognition and a lot of laughter.

"It was a real surprise," she added.

Shuttle bus move to help as car park goes

A NEW shuttle bus service could be laid on to ferry people into Stourbridge when a multi-storey car park is demolished as part of a £50 million redevelopment of the Crown Centre.

Hundreds of parking spaces in the town will be lost when the Bell Street site is demolished as part of the scheme to create new shops and a Tesco supermarket. Many workers and shoppers will have to use spaces outside the town centre in Birmingham Street. Dudley Council said it was considering operating a shuttle service.

It would transport people from the Birmingham Street car park on the opposite side of the ring road into the town centre.

A similar service funded by transport authority Centro has been operating while the town's new £7million bus station is being built and is now used by more than 400 passengers a day.

It was recently extended until July because it has proved so popular. The new station is due to complete in early 2012. The present service is funded by Centro.

Cabinet member for transport on Dudley Council, Councillor Angus Adams, said the authority was now considering a service along the same lines when work starts on the Crown Centre.

Place

"In many ways it would be retention of the service which is presently in place. The idea would be to have the stops in the same place as they are for the shuttle service at the moment," he said.

"This would mean people using Birmingham Street to park their cars would only have to cross the road to get to the shuttle stops and could be transported into the town centre.

"Measures are being considered on what will happen when Bell Street closes and is demolished. It will mean hundreds of people who use that car park will be displaced. This would make it easier for people to park their cars in Birmingham Street and still have easy access into the town centre."

A date for Crown Centre work to start has not been finalised.

Canteen hours cut will save £50,000 a year

CLOSING a Dudley hospital canteen for 11 hours every night will save £50,000 a year, bosses have revealed.

Russells Hall Hospital canteen currently opens 24 hours a day but will shut from 8pm to 7am, starting on May 30.

Patients, visitors and staff who want food and drink will have to use vending machines.

The move is part of the Dudley Group NHS Foundation Trust's plans to save £12million over the next financial year, and £30m by March 2014.

Some vending machines will have built-in microwave ovens which use a barcode system to calculate how long food needs to be cooked.

Three workers on night shifts in the canteen, which is run by the hospital's private partner Interserve, will be redeployed to daytime roles. Savings will come from reduced wages for staff – they are paid more for a night shift – and less stock being required.

Dudley councillor and hospital governor Steve Waltho said: "I'm concerned the hospital's personal service is suffering."

But trust chief executive Paula Clark said: "As the Trust operates 24 hours a day, seven days a week, we operate a number of different shift patterns. By introducing the vending machines we will ensure that staff working through the night will be able to access a wide range of hot and cold food, snacks and drinks."

Fire crews clean up for charity

Watch commander Jim Hill with, back from left, crew commander Alan Baker, motorist Kim Grainger, and firefighters Sam Hooley, Sean Richards, and Nick Green

FIREFIGHTERS got into a lather to raise £300 for good causes at the first of two charity car washes.

Brierley Hill fire station's white watch invited residents to the station, in Dudley Road, on April 16 and 23 to get their cars cleaned. More than 80 cars turned up during the first three-hour event with proceeds split between The Firefighters' Charity and the Royal Marines Charitable Trust.

Crews are also taking part in a 17km endurance run in May.

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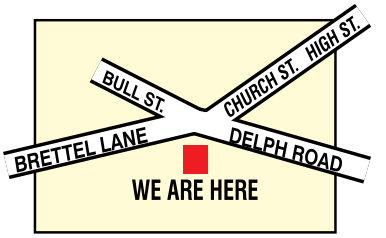

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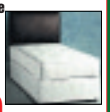

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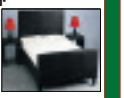

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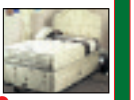

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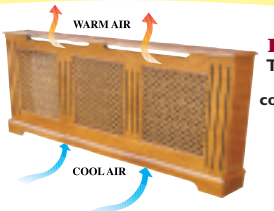

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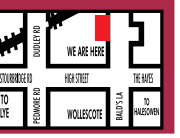

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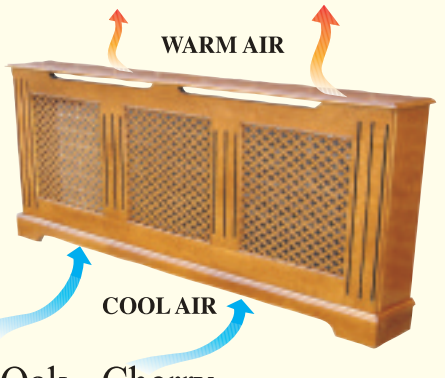

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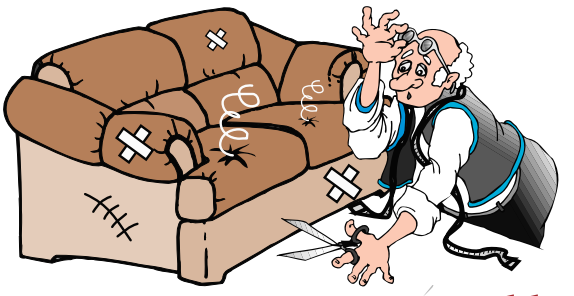

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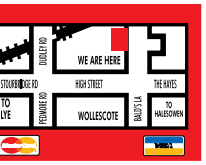

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Tanks for the memories, guys!

Reporter Jon Pritchard inside the fV432 Armoured Personnel Carrier

Many young boys grow up with a driving ambition to take the controls of a tank. JON PRITCHARD is no exception – and he had his dreams fulfilled thanks to a Rugeley company's new venture

MOST young boys aspire to drive a tank as they are growing up – and a Rugeley company is now offering the chance to realise that dream.

Chris Smith and Paul Ayre have set up Tank Driving UK. They own two ex-British Army tanks, a fV432 and a Stalwart, which can be driven around a one-and-a half mile off road track.

The company hopes to appeal to children's parties, stag and hen parties, corporate days or simply the individual looking for a thrill.

Chris, aged 26, said: "A friend of ours was looking at doing a day out driving a tank. Suddenly we realised there is nowhere local that offers that, and we could do it ourselves."

The experience itself is major fun. Since the age of 10, after playing with a friend's Action Man tank, this has been something on my wish list of things to do.

The vehicles are immense. Both tanks were built in 1966, so for machines that are 45 years old, they look stunning. The fV432 has an eight-litre Rolls Royce engine carrying 15 tonnes of steel, so you would expect the experience to be a loud one, but it's actually not bad.

Just being driven in the tank is an experience in itself. The roof is open so you can stick your head out and see where you are going, and the tank doesn't struggle with anything – rolling hills and mud tracks alike are eaten up in its path.

The experience is open to children from five to be driven around, while Chris and Paul will accept drivers from as young as 12 to offer them the experience of a lifetime.

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Church in appeal for funds

A CHURCH in the grounds of Hagley Hall, near Stourbridge, has launched a £100,000 campaign to improve its facilities.

St John the Baptist Church lies between Hagley Hall Deer Park, the stately home and a cricket pitch and it hosts many events, including the Hagley Music Festival, which will be held between May 6 and 15.

The Friends of St John the Baptist are now trying to raise £100,000 to build a toilet block between the church and the cricket pitch to save the need to hire loos for each event.

Fundraising events so far, including a sponsored abseil by Richard Brown and a John O'Groats to Land's End bike ride by Richard Scarth, have raised more than £30,000.

Both men are members of the St John's Bell Ringers.

The next event towards the toilet fund is the church fete, to be held on May 30.

Members of band A Kick Up the 80s Dean Lathbury, front, with, back from left, Anthony Green, Justin Hyde and Martin Dolman get ready for the gig

Back to the seventies with cash for Callum

A CELEBRATION of music from the 1970s and 80s will be held in Stourbridge to raise cash for a BMX rider left paralysed in an accident.

Hits from both decades will be performed by two bands at the River Rooms in Stourbridge, on May 15.

Proceeds from the event at Mill Race Lane will be donated towards the continuing care and recuperation of 17-year-old Callum Loveridge, of Wollaston.

He was left paralysed from the neck down after a crash last year.

Events will start at the River Rooms from 3pm with a performance by band The 7 Teez who will be performing hits such as Disco Inferno, YMCA and Tiger Feet. Face painting and a bouncy castle will also be set up in the afternoon, and stalls will sell hot and cold food. Events will then continue from 6pm when band A Kick Up the 80s takes to the stage.

The event has been organised by bosses at the venue to support the Cal4U charity, set up by Callum's family and friends to raise cash for the teenager's care.

Tickets are £5 each for the afternoon and evening shows and can be purchased from the River Rooms on 01384 397177.

An all-day ticket, priced £8, will also be available. Drummer for both bands, Martin Dolman, said: "We are asking people to support the event so we can raise as much money as possible to help in Callum's care."

Adrian Beck, Martin Dolman and Anthony Green of The 7 Teez

Giraffes hope at town zoo

STAFF at Dudley Zoo hope to hear the pitter-patter of tiny hooves soon as two new female giraffes joined the collection as part of an international breeding programme.

Two-year-old Josie and five-year-old Mia have now arrived from Banham Zoo and Africa Alive wildlife park in Norfolk.

The hope is that they will take a liking to the zoo's rare resident Rothschild giraffe, 10-year-old male Kubwa.

Zoo chief executive Peter Suddock said staff were delighted with the latest additions.

"It's been a week full of surprises for Kubwa, who has been on his own for several months," said Mr Suddock.

"But he seems to be taking it all very well.

"It really is fantastic to have three giraffes back in the paddock again," he added.

"They are a very popular species and always a big favourite with visitors."

Expansion bid by restaurant

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Drunk driver could not remember visit to pub

Zip wire is set to open for summer

A £250,000 high-rope adventure park will open in the Black Country this summer after plans were approved.

The new attraction in Sandwell Valley will feature an assault course with swings, climbing nets and a suspension bridge.

A 164ft zip wire and children's roundabout will also be included in the scheme.

It is expected to open in July.

Plans have been unanimously approved by Sandwell planning committee.

Major

It will be the borough's largest outdoor adventure playground aimed at youngsters aged between five and 13.

The attraction will be funded by the Play Pathfinder Capital Programme, money from the Government to improve play facilities for children nationwide.

Addressing the committee, council officer John Satchwell, said: "We are all very proud of our facilities at Sandwell Valley which is a major visitor attraction for local residents and other areas.

"We think these facilities will further enhance the facilities at Sandwell Valley."

The zip wire mirrors the successful Go Ape tree adventure attraction based on Cannock Chase.

High-rope adventure courses have also proved popular at Baggeridge Country Park near Sedgley.

Dancing robot delights crowds

AN 8ft robot stomped into the Black Country to surprise and delight shoppers with some slick moves.

Titan the Robot danced and interacted with youngsters during three, free 30-minute shows at the Merry Hill Centre, Brierley Hill.

He was also there to promote the Black Country University Technical College, which is due to open in Walsall in September offering Year 10 and sixth formers the chance to gain qualifications for a career in science and engineering.

About 200 people gathered round the stage in Fountain Square to see each performance. Edna-May Johnson, aged 77, of Witton Street, Stourbridge, danced with Titan and sang along to routines. She said: "He's very entertaining."

Among the families there yesterday were Carol Evans, 54, of Lawnswood Road, Wordsley, and her grandson Kyle, aged six. Mrs Evans said Kyle was a bit frightened at first but then Titan made him laugh by making burping noises and he loved it.

Titan with, from left, shoppers Sheila Deane, Lara Horsley and Amy Humphries. Inset: Titan the Robot entertaining onlookers at the Merry Hill shopping centre.

AN UNEMPLOYED mechanic who drove home when more than four times the drink-drive limit was followed home by an off-duty police officer who watched on as he took 20 minutes to find his front door keys.

Jason Pritchard had been drinking at The Cat pub in Wordsley before heading home in the early hours in his parents' car. But he almost collided with the officer as he left the car park, Dudley Magistrates Court heard.

The officer followed 36-year-old Pritchard to his home in Barnett Lane, Kingswinford.

Pritchard, who was driving a Peugeot VRM, almost collided with a second vehicle coming in the opposite direction and was seen driving down the middle of the road in the incident at about 12.30pm, said Mr David Truelove, prosecuting.

When he reached his home, where he lives with his parents, he was "moving the car backwards and forwards" trying to reverse onto the drive.

Mr Truelove said: "The officer then watched the defendant and saw him spend a full 20 minutes – and she counted – trying to open the front door."

Banned

Pritchard was so drunk that he did not even require a roadside breath test", said Mr Truelove.

Pritchard, an unemployed mechanic who previously worked at Kwik Fit in Halesowen, had 146 microgrammes of alcohol per 100 millilitres of breath when he was tested on April 4. The legal drink-drive limit is 35 microgrammes.

Pritchard, who admitted drink driving, was given a 12-month community order and must carry out 300 hours of unpaid work. He was also banned from driving for 30 months.

Chairman of magistrates, Mr Michael Penn, said: "A custodial sentence could have been imposed but, taking into account your previous record and your remorse, we will make a community order."

Mr Jahangeer Aslam, defending, said Pritchard could not remember being at the pub and had reacted badly to finding out his partner was having an affair.

Pickers tackling town grot spots

Stourbridge resident Russell Eden cleans up Heath Street as part of a new campaign

A CAMPAIGN urging people to "adopt a spot" to rid streets of litter has launched.

More than 10 people have agreed to keep sections of streets where they live in Stourbridge clean and clear.

Anti-litter action group Tidy Stourbridge was created after pictures of grubby, rubbish-filled streets appeared on social networking site Twitter.

Group co-founder Russell Eden, of Heath Street, Stourbridge, tackled a 50-metre stretch of road outside his home. He said: "We had a lot of people tell us that they would like to come to our events but that they couldn't make it, or would be more inclined to do it if it was around where they live.

"I've cleared an area of my street and it looks fantastic."

He said they started to work closely with Dudley Council, which provided volunteers with litter-picking equipment. Tidy Stourbridge has held at least one litter-picking event a month since July, often enjoying a social pint in a pub afterwards.

Old law tackles stray horses

STRAY horses plaguing the Black Country will be impounded under an old law as part of a new plan unveiled by police and council leaders.

It came after Dudley Council officers agreed seizure of horses fell under section 24 of the Town and Police Clauses Act 1847, allowing cattle on a highway to be seized and impounded.

The council will pay police an undisclosed sum so horses straying onto roads can be seized and found permanent homes if owners do not appear in three days, in a six-month trial.

Hundreds of reports of animals causing havoc wandering across main roads flooded in since the start of the year, especially in the Pensnett, Brockmoor, Kingswinford and Coseley areas.

Volumes

Chief Inspector Mark Bramwell said: "It means that we can actually take positive action and possibly move the horses for good, should they cause a problem.

"We get high volumes of calls each week and in many cases we have been powerless to act. The issue has always been identifying owners for these animals."

When an animal is impounded and moved to a paddock outside the Black Country, the owner has three days to prove ownership and settle fines.

Council director of urban environment, John Millar, said the move followed months of work behind the scenes.

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Blaze at the hall proved Charles' baptism of fire

Former Dudley fireman Charles Johnson

A six-day blaze at Himley Hall was the biggest fire fought by rookie fireman Charles Johnson. The 91-year-old spoke to Heather Large.

JUST eight months into his new job in 1947, Charles Johnson found himself fighting a ferocious fire as it swept through historic Himley Hall.

"It burned for six days straight and was the biggest fire I fought in my 30-year career," said the 91-year-old great-grandfather.

The devastating blaze was one of thousands he tackled as a fireman posted at Dudley Fire Station in Tower Street.

After leaving the army in 1946 following six years of service, aged 25, he found himself without a trade to fall back on.

Instead he signed up to join the national fire service and found himself back in Dudley where he was born. He was one of 38 former soldiers, airmen and sailors who had been recruited after the end of the Second World War.

"It was quite an upheaval for us all coming out of the forces," he said.

"We had all been through so much during the war that we all had a lot in common and this gave us this good comradeship.

"It was a pleasure to go to work and I really mean that, we all enjoyed our job."

The former Grenadier Guard said the fire at Himley Hall, which broke out during its conversion for use by the National Coal Board and gutted the south wing, was particularly memorable because of the scale of the devastation.

"I was in one of the first fire engines to arrive at the hall. There were 17 fire engines there in total because it was such a huge fire.

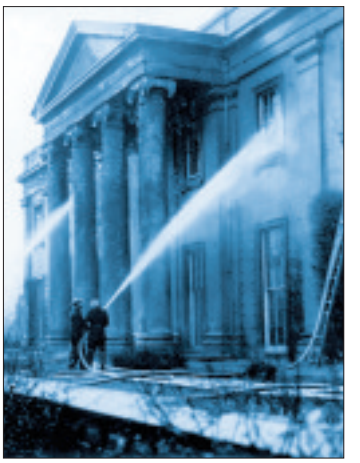
"It did a lot of damage and it took a lot of water and effort to put it out," he said.

When Mr Johnson joined the service, Dudley had three engines and the base was in charge of eight other stations stretching from Kinver in South Staffordshire across the Black Country to Old Hill and Coseley.

The former St John's Primary School pupil said the early uniforms were "primitive" and offered very little protection.

"We had rubber boots and cork hats but no gloves. A lot of a fireman's body was exposed to the flames," he said.

"The uniform has changed beyond recognition over the years and I'm in awe of the uniforms they have now which provide all the protection they could want." He said the hours were tough as firemen would often work for 24 hours and then have 24 hours off before returning for another full-day shift. "Over time we went from working 84 hours a week to 40 hours a week. But nobody ever complained about the work," he said. The fire station in Tower Street closed in 1999 when a new one opened in Burton Road.



The huge fire at Himley Hall in 1947

Father-of-four Mr Johnson, who retired at 55, said he was pleased that the old station was going to be given a new lease of life as part of a new vocational centre for Dudley College. "They are keeping the front of the station so it will be there for a long time yet. I am glad it's being used, it's better than it standing empty," he said.

Rugby fan Mr Johnson, who has two grandchildren and three great-grandchildren, now lives at Dixons Green Court, a sheltered housing scheme on the site of the old Kates Hill Primary School.

Aged 18 in the Grenadier Guards

Uncanny

It's just a stone's throw from where he grew up.

For the past three months, as part of a "good neighbour" scheme run by Age UK, Mr Johnson has been receiving weekly visits from fellow retired firefighter Ian Rawlings, 42, from Kingswinford.

Mr Rawlings joined the fire service just four years after Mr Johnson left and the pair enjoy swapping stories.

Mr Rawlings said: "It is uncanny that we have so much in common.

"We both share a love of rugby so we always have lots to talk about.

"I have some time on my hands and I really get a lot of enjoyment out of doing it."

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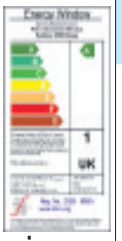

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Business booming for micro-brewery

A MICRO-BREWERY which aims to keep traditions alive is seeing business boom. Black Country Ales, based at the Old Bulls Head, Lower Gornal, supplies beer to pubs across the West Midlands.

It has taken over The Whitley in Stourbridge Road, Halesowen, which was empty for three years. Bosses are also in talks with the Wetherspoons chain to supply ale to its pubs in the region. The beer is brewed in a small outbuilding at the back of the Old Bull's Head. It is distributed by the firm's one driver.

That site was used from 1840 for about 150 years, until the business died out. But it was brought back to life by brewer Guy Perry seven years ago when he suggested to landlord Angus McMeeking that there was a market for real ale.

Since then business has been booming and plans are being drawn up to turn the brewery into a visitor centre.

Mr McMeeking said: "We have a really historic brewery so it seems a shame for it to be hidden away out the back.

"Real ale is having a major revival and people are interested in the way beer is brewed.

"It is still a relatively small scale operation but we are happy with the way business is going."

Mr McMeeking said there are "no firm timelines" for the work but he hoped to get started this year.

Vessel

The brewing process takes a week and there are always three loads of ale being produced at any time.

A third of a ton of malt is poured into a huge vessel at the start, before 4,500 pints of water is added and about 100lb of hops.

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The brewery produces three main ales – Bradley's Finest Golden (BFG), Pig on the Wall and Fireside Bitter.

About 13,000 pints are produced each week at the Old Bulls Head using the brewery's three fermenting vessels.

Celebrations of anchor's centenary

CENTENARY celebrations of the time when Dudley workers delivered a giant anchor to the world's most famous ship have begun at the Black Country Living Museum.

On May 1, it will be 100 years since the anchor was transported from Noah Hingley & Sons' works in Netherton to the Harland and Wolff shipyard in Belfast to be fitted to the doomed Titanic.

Replica

A new exhibition to commemorate the historic journey has been unveiled at the museum in Tipton Road.

A full-size replica of the anchor has been on display there since October last year.

The anchor was pulled from Netherton to Dudley in 2010 when it retraced its original 1911 journey as part of a Channel 4 history series called Titanic: The Mission.

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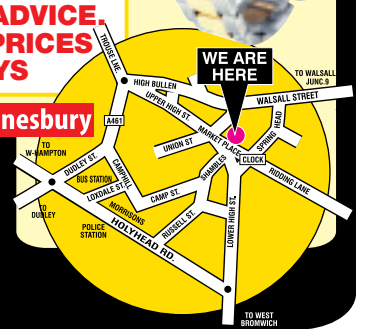

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Enchanted evenings for theatre stalwart Carole

FOR more than 50 years musical theatre stalwart Carole Preston has been treading the boards in productions in the Black Country.

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But Mrs Preston's first role was not on stage but instead selling programmes to audience members when she was in her teens.

After being encouraged by a friend she made her debut performance in Showboat in 1960.

"I was a nervous teenager in the chorus," she said.

Favourite

"Since then I have been in every show but one. I missed one because I couldn't be at rehearsals. For that show I was a prompt – helping people to remember their lines when needed."

Over the years she has played roles from US Navy nurse Nellie Forbush in South Pacific to undertaker's wife Mrs Sowerberry in Oliver!

Mrs Preston, who lives in Lawnswood Avenue, Kingswinford, lists Nellie Forbush and the part of Mrs Mullins in Carousel, which she has played twice, as being among her favourite characters to bring to life.

"I enjoy performing and I enjoy rehearsing," she said.

"Playing these characters gives me the chance to become someone very different to me for a few hours.

"I also love music everything from pop to opera, it's a big part of my life."

Mother-of-three Mrs Preston, who has also appeared in numerous pantomimes and concerts, has also been an active committee member for many years taking on roles including general secretary and ticket secretary.

Now her commitment to amateur theatre has been recognised by the National Operatic and Dramatic Association which has presented her with a long-service award.

"I am pleased, but to be rewarded for doing something that gives me such pleasure seems strange," said Mrs Preston, whose husband George has also been a member for many years.

Grandmother-of-four Mrs Preston said she was keen to encourage new members to join and take part in the company's next production Jesus Christ Superstar in October. Details at www.bhmtc.co.uk

Carole Preston with her long service award

Carole with George Preston – who is now her husband – back in 1978

As Mrs Higgins in My Fair Lady in 2004

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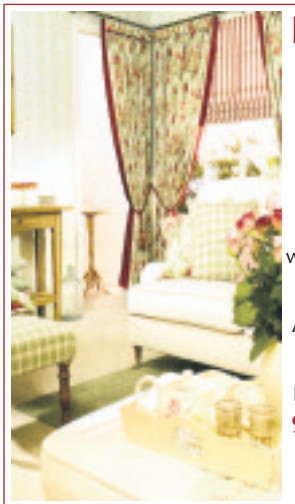

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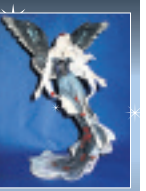

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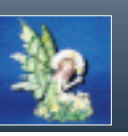

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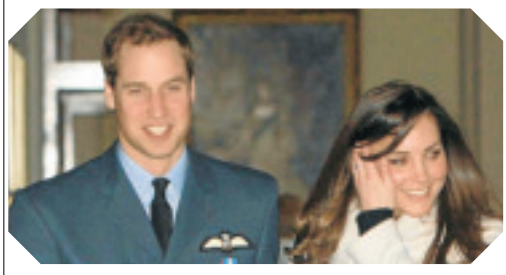

ABOVE LEFT: Prince William and Kate Middleton wave as they pass St Salvator's halls, during a visit to St Andrew's University and (above) Kate at her graduation

LEFT: Prince William with Kate Middleton at RAF Cranwell in 2008 when William received his Royal Air Force wings from Prince Charles

How love grew . . .

CATHERINE Elizabeth "Kate" Middleton grew up in Berkshire and, after attending Marlborough College, went to the University of St Andrews, where she met Prince William, also studying there, in 2001.

And it was at that university that the two first met and got to know each other. Kate Middleton was one of Prince William's flatmates and they began dating in 2003.

Once the relationship became known they attracted massive media attention, triggering complaints by Kate that the media were harassing her.

In April 2007, the press reported that William and Kate had split up. They continued to be friends, and later in 2007 they reunited.

Since then, she has attended many high-profile royal events. She has been admired for her fashion sense and has been placed on numerous "best-dressed" lists.

Since her relationship with Prince William began, Kate has received widespread media attention and there was much speculation that they would eventually marry.

Ring

On November 16, 2010, the office of the Prince of Wales at Clarence House announced their engagement. Prince William revealed that he had proposed to his girlfriend using the engagement ring that belonged to his mother.

The date and location of the wedding were announced one week later.

In no time commemorative coins, porcelain plates and all kinds of Royal Wedding items appeared and the Royal love story story now features in a splashy comic book, a made-for-TV film and stamps to commemorate the Royal Wedding.

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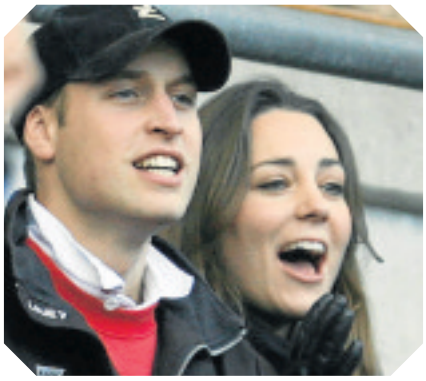

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ABOVE: Leaving the wedding of their friends Harry Mead and Rosie Bradford in the village of North-leach, Gloucestershire

LEFT: Prince William and Kate Middleton are jubilant as England's Jason Robinson scores the first try during their Six Nations international rugby union match against Italy at Twickenham in 2007

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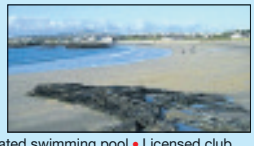

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Cyndi set to show 'true colors' with Brum date

NATIVE New Yorker Cyndi Lauper, who lit up the 80s with her big pop hit Girls Just Want To Have Fun and the ballads Time After Time and True Colors, is back on the road some 30 years since her first major record deal.

The 57-year-old mum of one, pictured left, scored another number one just last year when her Memphis Blues album won a Grammy and was rated best blues album of the year.

She will be in concert at the Symphony Hall, Birmingham, on June 26.

Tickets cost £30 or £33.50. Call 0121 780 3333 or visit www.thsh.co.uk.

Seeing Starrs with Ringo

By Leon Burakowski

RINGO Starr's music, as a solo artist and as a Beatle, is permeated by his personality, his warmth and humour.

As well as being drummer with the biggest band ever, he has, in his own right, created classic songs such as It Don't Come Easy, With A Little Help From My Friends, Yellow Submarine, Don't Pass Me By, Octopus' Garden, You're Sixteen (You're Beautiful And You're Mine).

In what is one of Ringo's first gigs in the city since he played with the Fab Four at Birmingham Odeon circa 1965, he brings his All Starr Band for a concert at the Symphony Hall on June 20, one of only six UK dates as part of his world tour.

Based on the concept that everybody on stage is a star in their own right, each concert sees Ringo performing songs from his solo and Beatles' career and each band member performing hits from their own careers. Over the years the revolving line up has included such stellar artists as Joe Walsh, Dr John, Todd Rundgren, Timothy B. Schmidt, John Entwhistle, Peter Frampton, Sheila E., Rod Argent and Paul Carrack.

Returning to the stage for the 2011 tour are the six All Starr band members who toured with Ringo in 2010.

These include:Top rock guitarist Rick Deringer, who was just 17 when his band The McCoys recorded the No1 hit Hang On Sloopy in the summer of 1965, knocking Yesterday by The Beatles from the top spot. He later played with both Edgar Winter and Johnny Winter and found further success with his hit single Rock and Roll Hoochie Koo and with his eponymous band Derringer. Throughout the 70s and 80s he appeared on numerous albums with artists Alice Cooper, Richie Havens, Todd Rundgren, Cyndi Lauper, Barbra Streisand, Kiss and Steely Dan.

American Richard Page is best known as the singer/bassist for the multi-platinum, Grammy nominated group Mr. Mister. The band

Ringo Starr – at Symphony Hall with the All Starr Band

released three albums and had several world-wide hits, including 'Broken Wings' and 'Kyrie'. They split in 1990. Page has recorded two solo albums, 'Shelter Me' and 'Peculiar Life', as well as providing backing vocals for artists such as Elton John, Michael Jackson, Madonna, Streisand and Elvis Costello among many more. As a songwriter Page has had songs recorded by Madonna, Leona Lewis, Josh Groban, Celine Dion and Hall & Oates to name just a few.

Lead singer with the All Starr Band Wally Palmar, harmonica and rhythm guitar player, was a founding member of The Romantics. The group's self-titled debut album yielded the hit What I Like About You. Other singles included 'When I Look In Your Eyes', 'One in a Million', and the international hit 'Talking In Your Sleep'. Never content to simply rest on his red-leathered laurels, Palmar continues to write, record and tour around the world with The Romantics.

Edgar Winter is an accomplished jazz, rock and blues keyboard player and saxophonist as well as a vocalist who first found success in the early 70s. Edgar has worked with Rick Derringer and Ronnie Montrose as well as his older brother Johnny Winter.

In 1972 Edgar had a chart-topping hit with the instrumental Frankenstein.Winter's songs have appeared on more than 20 films.

Over the course of his 40-year career which began in the UK with the rock band Spooky Tooth, Gary Wright has played before millions of fans. A pioneer of using synthesizers in pop music, as heard on his worldwide hits Dream Weaver and Love Is Alive, Gary has inspired generations of mainstream artists including Eminem, Mya, Jay-Z, Busta Rhymes, Anastacia and DJ Armand Van Helden, all of whom have either sampled or covered his songs. Gary joined the All Starr Band in 2008.

Drummer and vocalist Greg Bissonette comes from a musical family, where his father was also a drummer, his mother a pianist, brother a bass player and sister a violinist. Gregg played on three albums by former Van Halen vocalist David Lee Roth. Since then Gregg has recorded and toured with a number of artists, including Toto, ELO, Santana, Andrea Bocelli, The Maynard Ferguson Big Band, Spinal Tap and James Taylor. He has been an All Starr member since 2008 and this is his third tour as an All Starr.

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Mark Radcliffe – music and stories

Radcliffe – feeling good with Heroes

BBC Radio broadcaster Mark Radcliffe is bringing his mix of music and stories to Wolverhampton Slade Rooms on May 15.

He will be reading extracts from his new book, Reelin' In The Years, as well as playing tracks from his band The Malone Family and his solo album, What Remains Of The Day.

The book charts Radcliffe's musical life, with a chosen song for each of his 52 years, ranging from Cliff Richard to Joy Division and The Smiths to Elbow.

Book

Radcliffe said: "It was really hard to pick a song from each year. I chose Move It by Cliff Richard for the first year because it was the first rock 'n' roll record I heard."

He will also debut songs from his new album, which he says has a more intimate feel compared to the music he writes with his band.

He said: "Writing and recording solo is much like writing a book, you have to be confident in your ability. This album feels much more intimate."

The broadcaster has been playing tunes on BBC Radio stations for over 20 years, and now resides on 6 Music with his long-time broadcasting partner Stuart Maconie, as well as having his own show on Radio 2. Despite huge changes to the music industry over the years, Radcliffe believes radio is still an important part of the business.

He said: "Radio offers listeners a personal connection by being able to text in or phone in and influence the show. It also gives them somewhere to hear new music. I'll never stop looking for new bands. I always think someone, somewhere is making my next favourite album."

His favourite song to play on the radio is French Disco by Stereolab, but admits one of his favourite songs ever is Heroes by David Bowie.

He added: "Whenever I hear it I feel better, it makes you think you could be a hero."

By Jon Pritchard

Cunning treatment of Mr Fox favourite

Nicholas Merryweather, right, as Mr Fox

Scene from the Fantastic Mr Fox operatic performance

FANTASTIC Mr Fox, Roald Dahl's comic children's tale about foxes versus farmers, gets the operatic treatment at Wolverhampton Grand Theatre next week.

English Touring Opera present the furry fantasy on Monday. Cunning Mr Fox (played by exciting young baritone Nicholas Merryweather) takes on three pitiless farmers and their determined digger (played by mezzo-soprano Fiona Kimm) to save his family... and maybe bag some poultry into the bargain.

The production, directed by ETO's award-winning artistic associate Tim Yealland, features professional soloists alongside 21 local school children from East Park Junior School and Woden Primary School who play fox cubs and a chorus of trees.

ETO's production is the UK première of the full version of Tobias Picker's adaptation of Roald Dahl's short story, with a libretto by Donald Sturrock. ETO completes its spring season at Wolverhampton Grand Theatre with a performance featuring two, one-hour long Puccini operas on Tuesday.

These two short works, **Il tabarro and Gianni Schicchi** are contrasting masterpieces. Il tabarro is a moody, grotesque thriller that takes place on a barge in Paris and Gianni Schicchi, is a sparkling Florentine comedy featuring popular tenor Nicholas Sherratt, who last performed as Ernesto in Don Pasquale with ETO on their spring 2010 tour.

The actors will prance a lot and shrubs will be sought in **Monty Python's Spamalot**, a rib-tickling musical spoof of Arthurian legend and West End showbiz, which ends its run at the Grand on Saturday. Playing King Arthur is Phill Jupitus, abetted by Tod Carty as the put-upon servant Patsy.

Michael Jackson tribute show **Thriller Live**, featuring Birmingham Pop Idol finalist Hayley Evetts, continues at Birmingham Hippodrome to Saturday night.

Comedian **Eddie Griffin** teams up with fellow comics **Richard Blackwood**, just before taking up his role as Donkey in Shrek The Musical, and **Eddie Kadi** and Kevin J at Birmingham's New Alexandra Theatre on Sunday night.

Then the same venue hosts gospel comedy **Prodi Gyal** on Monday evening.

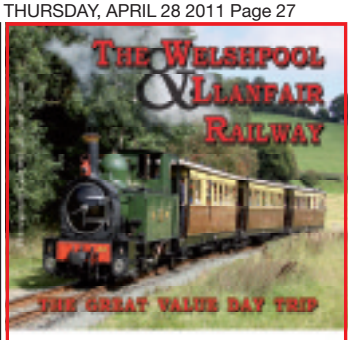
The nation's most popular TV scientist Brian Cox joins his co-presenter from BBC Radio 4's Infinite Monkey Cage, Robin Ince, for a night of galactic science at the New Alex next Thursday (May 5), entitled **Uncaged Monkeys**.

Claire Sweeney stars in a revamped version of Andrew Lloyd Webber and Don Black's **Tell Me On A Sunday** at Stoke's Regent Theatre to Saturday.

It features 'Take That Look Off Your Face' and new song 'Dreams Never Run On Time'.

The new Royal Shakespeare Company season at Stratford continues with Jonathan Slinger as **Macbeth** and Gregory Doran's new production of 'lost Shakespeare play' **Cardenio**, both in repertoire until the autumn.

By Leon Burakowski



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BBC1

6.00 Breakfast. **10.00** Saturday Kitchen Live. **11.30** Great British Menu. (R) **12.00** BBC News; Regional News; Weather. **12.15** Football Focus. **1.00** Live Snooker: The World Championship. The concluding session of the first semi-final. **4.30** Final Score. **5.10** BBC News; Regional News; Weather. **5.25** Don't Scare the Hare. Game show, hosted by Jason Bradbury.

6.00 Doctor Who. Part two of two. The Doctor launches a revolution against the invading aliens.
6.45 So You Think You Can Dance. Cat Deeley introduces the remaining contestants, who take to the stage once again as couples, hoping to avoid elimination by impressing the judges and winning viewers' votes.
8.00 The National Lottery: Who Dares Wins. Game show in which strangers pair up to win money.
8.50 So You Think You Can Dance. The dancers with the lowest votes perform again.
9.20 Casualty. Polly's life hangs in the balance.
10.10 BBC News; Weather.
10.30 Match of the Day; National Lottery Update.
11.45 The Football League Show; Weatherview.

1.10 Sign Zone: The Royal Wedding. (R) **2.40** Giles & Sue's Royal Wedding. (R) **3.40** BBC News.

BBC2

6.00 CBeebies. **7.00** CBBC. **12.00** Coast. (R) **12.15** Film: Citizen Kane. (1941) Oscar-winning drama, starring Orson Welles. **2.15** Film: The Magnificent Ambersons. (1942) Period drama, with Joseph Cotten. **3.45** Put Your Money Where Your Mouth Is. (R) **4.30** Live Snooker: The World Championship. The fourth and final session of the first semi-final. **5.30** Flog It! (R)

6.30 Dad's Army. Mainwaring appears in court. (R)
7.00 Live Snooker: The World Championship. Coverage of the second semi-final reaches a conclusion at the Crucible Theatre in Sheffield, where the fourth and final session takes place. Subsequent programmes subject to change.
9.30 Have I Got a Bit More Old News For You. Satirical quiz. (R)
10.15 Frank Skinner's Opinionated. Alan Davies and Katy Brand join the presenter in Maidstone. Last in the series. (R)
10.45 Nurse Jackie. The nurse finds herself at odds with her family. Last in the series.
11.15 Later with Jools Holland. With PJ Harvey, Lykke Li and the Unthanks. (R)

12.15 Film: Before Sunrise. (1995) Drama, with Ethan Hawke and Julie Delpy. **1.55** Film: Anna M. (2007) Premiere. Drama, with Isabelle Carre. **3.35** Close.

ITV1

6.00 CITV: Mini CITV. **7.25** CITV. **9.25** Coronation Street. **12.10** This Morning: Saturday. **1.10** ITV News; Weather. **1.15** Monk. **2.15** You've Been Framed! Funniest 100. (R) **3.15** Film: Live and Let Die. (1973) **5.30** Regional Programmes. **5.45** ITV News; Weather.

6.00 New People Do the Funniest Things. New series. A selection of viewer-submitted comical clips, including unusual world records, wedding disasters and an underwater dinner party.
7.00 Sing if You Can. Mikey Graham, Lisa Maxwell and Rodney Marsh take on Ray Quinn, Darren Gough and Camilla Kerslake in the celebrity singing challenge.
8.00 Britain's Got Talent. Ant and Dec host another round of auditions, as judges Amanda Holden, Michael McIntyre and David Hasselhoff continue their search for the nation's most impressive performers.
9.00 Piers Morgan's Life Stories: Ann Widdecombe. The former MP discusses her career and personal life.
10.00 ITV News; Weather.
10.15 FILM: Dirty Harry. (1971) Police thriller, starring Clint Eastwood.

12.15 The Zone; ITV News Headlines. **2.15** Swingtown. (R) **3.00** ITV Nightscreen. **5.30** ITV Morning News.

Channel 4

6.00 The Treacle People. (R) **6.10** The Hoobs. (R) **6.35** The Hoobs. (R) **7.00** British Formula 3 International Series. **7.30** The Grid. **7.55** The Morning Line. **8.55** T4: Friends. (R) **9.25** T4: Koko Pop. **10.00** T4: Friends. (R) **10.30** T4: Glee. **11.30** T4: Great British Hairdresser. **12.30** T4: The Big Bang Theory. (R) **12.55** T4: The Big Bang Theory. (R) **1.25** That Paralympic Show. **1.55** Channel 4 Racing. **3.55** Come Dine with Me Down Under. **4.25** Come Dine with Me Down Under. **5.00** Come Dine with Me Down Under. **5.30** Come Dine with Me Down Under.

6.00 Come Dine with Me Down Under.
6.30 Channel 4 News.
6.55 4thought.tv.
7.00 River Cottage Best Bites. A collection of recipes for autumn and winter. (R)
8.00 Kate and William: Romance and the Royals. David Starkey puts the royal wedding in historical context. (R)
9.00 The Million Pound Drop Live. Quiz show, presented by Davina McCall.
10.20 Stand Up for the Week.
11.05 FILM: Austin Powers: International Man of Mystery. (1997) Spoof spy adventure, starring Mike Myers.

1.00 Film: Secretary. (2002) Comedy drama, starring Maggie Gyllenhaal. **2.50** Shapes. (R) **2.55** Home Country. (R) **3.00** Brief Encounters of the Sporting Mind. (R) **3.05** Hello Boys. (R) **4.00** Running in Heels. (R) **5.15** Countdown. (R)

Channel 5

6.00 Milkshake! **10.00** Chinese Food in Minutes. **10.10** The Gadget Show. (R) **11.10** Ice Road Truckers. (R) **12.05** Film: King of Kings. (1961) Biblical epic, starring Jeffrey Hunter. **3.10** Film: Ben-Hur. (1959) Oscar-winning epic, with Charlton Heston and Stephen Boyd.

7.15 5 News Weekend.
7.20 NCIS. Gibbs tries to extract information from a convict on death row about where he hid his victims – but the killer proves reluctant to confess. (R)
8.15 CSI: Grissom's Greatest. An apparent Mob assassination leaves five people dead, and a deaf man is killed in what initially seems to have been a car accident – until evidence of foul play comes to light. (R)
9.10 CSI: Miami. Two suspicious deaths occur on the same day, but initially seem unconnected – until Horatio discovers a crusading TV show had recently exposed both victims as paedophiles. (R)
10.10 CSI: NY. A popular schoolgirl is murdered.
11.10 CSI: Crime Scene Investigation. (R)

12.10 SuperCasino. **4.00** Animal Rescue Squad. (R) **4.10** Nick's Quest. (R) **4.35** HouseBusters. (R) **5.00** Hana's Helpline. (R) **5.10** The Milkshake! Show. (R) **5.35** Thomas & Friends. (R) **5.45** Roary the Racing Car. (R)

Digital

ITV2
3.15 Film: The Polar Express (2004) **5.10** Film: Robots (2005) **7.00** Homes from Hell **8.00** My Child Won't Eat **9.00** Britain's Got More Talent **10.00** Celebrity Juice **10.45** Film: The Whole Ten Yards (2004)

ITV3
2.30 Wallis and Edward **4.20** Downton Abbey **8.00** Rosemary & Thyme **9.00** Midsomer Murders **11.15** A Touch of Frost

ITV4
11.00 Live Indian Premier League Cricket. Kochi Tuskers Kerala v Delhi DareDevils and Kolkata Knight Riders v Kings XI Punjab. **8.00** British Superbike Championship Highlights **9.00** Jean-Claude Van Damme: Behind Closed Doors **10.00** Ultimate Force **11.35** Film: Queen of the Damned (2002)

BBC THREE
7.00 Doctor Who Confidential **7.45** Pop's Greatest Dance Crazes **7.50** Top Gear **9.00** Film: Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade (1989) **11.00** Russell Howard's Good News Extra **11.45** Family Guy

BBC FOUR
7.00 Tiger – Spy in the Jungle **8.00** If Walls Could Talk: The History of the Home **9.00** Spiral **10.50** Top of the Pops: 1976 **11.20** The Wonderful Wizard of Oz – The True Story

E4
1.25 Hollyoaks **4.00** Make It or Break It **4.55** Friends **6.00** Glee **7.00** The Big Bang Theory **8.00** How I Met Your Mother **9.00** Friends **10.00** Film: 30 Days of Night (2007)

FILM4
3.25 Zulu (1964) **6.10** The Abyss (1989) **8.55** 4Films For **9.00** Slumdog Millionaire (2008) Oscar-winning drama, starring Dev Patel, Freida Pinto and Anil Kapoor. **11.20** Alien (1979) Sci-fi horror, starring Sigourney Weaver.

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TIME TEAM

Channel 4, 5.30pm

Tony Robinson and John Gater chart the rise and development of geophysics technology since the archaeology programme's first dig in 1994. The presenters reflect on some of the most memorable discoveries made using geophysics, before Tony decides to test how precise the technology has become by challenging John to identify 10 objects buried in a field.

BBC1

6.00 Breakfast. **7.45** Match of the Day. (R) **9.00** The Andrew Marr Show. **10.00** The Big Questions. **11.00** Country Tracks. **12.00** The Politics Show. **1.00** EastEnders. **2.55** Bargain Hunt. (R) **3.25** Escape to the Country. (R) **4.25** Regional Programme. **4.55** Points of View. **5.10** Songs of Praise. **5.45** BBC News; Regional News; Weather.

6.15 Land Girls. Connie discovers more about the piano player. (R)
7.00 Countryfile. Julia Bradbury, Matt Baker and Katie Knapman visit Gloucestershire, Herefordshire and Worcestershire to learn more about the importance of spring in the west of England.
8.00 Antiques Roadshow. More valuables are inspected at Winchester Cathedral.
9.00 Exile. New series. Psychological thriller, starring John Simm.
10.00 BBC News; Regional News; Weather.
10.25 Match of the Day 2. Including highlights of Arsenal v Manchester United.
11.45 The Sky at Night. A gigantic storm in Saturn's atmosphere.

12.05 Film: Wah-Wah. (2006) Coming-of-age drama, with Nicholas Hoult and Miranda Richardson; Weatherview. **1.45** Sign Zone: MasterChef. (R) **2.45** Holby City. (R) **3.45** Churches: How to Read Them. (R) **4.15** One Man and His Campervan. (R) **4.45** BBC News.

BBC2

6.00 CBeebies. **7.00** CBBC. **10.00** Something for the Weekend. **11.30** MasterChef: The Final Three. (R) **12.30** Live MotoGP. The Portuguese Grand Prix (Start-time 1.00pm). **2.00** Live Snooker: The World Championship. The opening session of the final at the Crucible Theatre in Sheffield.

6.00 Davis v Taylor: The '85 Black Ball Final. Colin Murray presents a look back at the final of the 1985 World Snooker Championship between Dennis Taylor and Steve Davis. (R)
7.00 Live Snooker: The World Championship. Further coverage from the Crucible Theatre in Sheffield, featuring the second session of the final and a scheduled nine frames. Subsequent programmes subject to change.
11.00 FILM: Shine. (1996) Biopic of David Helfgott, the talented but fragile Australian pianist overwhelmed by the pressure of his father's obsession with success. With Geoffrey Rush and Armin Mueller-Stahl.

12.40 Film: Resting Place. (1986) Racial tension in a Deep South town disrupts the burial of a black soldier, while an officer becomes suspicious about how he died. Drama, starring John Lithgow and Morgan Freeman. **2.15** BBC News. **4.45** The Super League Show. Action from the latest Super League fixtures.

ITV1

6.00 CITV: Mini CITV. **7.25** CITV. **9.25** May the Best House Win. (R) **10.25** Sing if You Can. (R) **11.30** This Morning: Sunday. **12.30** Dinner Date. (R) **1.30** ITV News; Weather. **1.40** Film: Columbo: Murder by the Book. (1971) **3.10** Britain's Got Talent. (R) **4.10** Film: Evan Almighty. (2007).

6.00 Regional Programmes.
6.10 ITV News; Weather.
6.30 The Cube. A dance teacher and a skateboarding coach take up the challenge.
7.30 Coronation Street. Steve and Tracy take Amy to Blackpool for the day.
8.00 Vera. New series. Brenda Blethyn stars in the first of four murder mysteries as DCI Vera Stanhope, who tracks down killers with the help of sidekick DS Joe Ashworth (David Leon).
10.00 ITV News at Ten; Weather.
10.15 Perspectives: Andrew Lloyd Webber – A Passion for the Pre-Raphaelites. The composer discusses his love for the 19th-century artists.
11.15 Surgery School. Ten doctors take part in a surgical training course. (R)

12.15 Dating the Enemy. (R) **12.40** The Zone; ITV News Headlines. **2.00** British Superbike Championship Highlights. **2.55** Motorsport UK. **3.45** ITV Nightscreen. **5.30** ITV Morning News.

Channel 4

6.00 The Treacle People. (R) **6.10** The Hoobs. (R) **6.35** The Hoobs. (R) **7.00** That Paralympic Show. (R) **7.25** Freesports on 4. **7.55** T4: The Crush. **8.25** T4: Friends. (R) **8.55** T4: Hollyoaks. **11.25** T4: Being N-Dubz in America and Beyond. (R) **12.00** T4: Glee. (R) **1.00** T4: The Simpsons. (R) **1.30** T4: The Simpsons. (R) **2.00** Channel 4 Racing. **4.00** Jamie at Home. (R) **4.30** Deal or No Deal. **5.30** Time Team.

6.30 Channel 4 News.
6.55 4thought.tv. Discussing people's right to have a church wedding.
7.00 Come Dine with Me. A male make-up enthusiast competes against a houseproud woman, a rock 'n' roll musician and a dog-sitter, as the dinner-party challenge heads to south-east Essex.
8.00 The Hotel. The Damson Dene deals with an influx of families.
9.00 FILM: The Bank Job. (2008) Premiere. A bank robber ends up stealing top secret files the government and security services want buried. Fact-based crime thriller, starring Jason Statham.
11.10 FILM: The Football Factory. (2004) Drama, starring Danny Dyer.

1.00 Film: Dresden. (2006) German Second World War drama, with Felicitas Woll. **3.40** Civilization: Is the West History? (R) **4.35** Wogan's Perfect Recall. (R) **5.00** Countdown. (R) **5.45** Yo Gabba Gabba! (R)

Channel 5

6.00 Milkshake!: Peppa Pig. **6.05** Roary the Racing Car. (R) **6.15** Fifi and the Flowertots. (R) **6.25** Fireman Sam. (R) **6.35** Miss Spider's Sunny Patch Friends. (R) **6.50** The Beeps. (R) **7.00** Mio Mao. (R) **7.15** Harry and His Bucket Full of Dinosaurs. (R) **7.20** Noddy in Toyland. (R) **7.40** Hana's Helpline. (R) **7.45** Animal Families. (R) **8.00** Little Princess. (R) **8.10** The Adventures of Bottle Top Bill and His Best Friend Corky. (R) **8.15** Bert and Ernie's Great Adventures. (R) **8.25** Mist: Sheepdog Tales. (R) **8.45** Rupert Bear. (R) **9.00** Olivia. (R) **9.15** The Mr Men Show. (R) **9.30** Gerald McBoing Boing. (R) **10.00** K-9. **10.35** OK! TV Sunday. **11.30** Extraordinary Dogs. (R) **12.00** The Hotel Inspector. (R) **1.05** Film: Lawrence of Arabia. (1962) Oscar-winning epic drama, starring Peter O'Toole. **5.10** 5 News Weekend. **5.15** Film: The Golden Voyage of Sinbad. (1974) Fantasy adventure, starring John Phillip Law.

7.20 FILM: Godzilla. (1998) Hollywood remake of the Japanese monster adventure, with Matthew Broderick and Jean Reno.
10.00 The Walking Dead. Rick discovers Merle is not where he left him.
11.05 FILM: Misery. (1990) Oscar-winning thriller, starring James Caan.

1.10 SuperCasino. **3.55** Animal Rescue Squad. (R) **4.10** UEFA Europa League Highlights. **5.00** Hana's Helpline. (R) **5.10** The Milkshake! Show. (R) **5.35** Thomas & Friends. (R) **5.45** Roary the Racing Car. (R)

Digital

ITV2
3.00 American Idol **5.30** Britain's Got Talent **6.30** The Only Way Is Essex **8.00** Kerry Katona: The Next Chapter **9.00** Peter Andre: The Next Chapter **10.00** The Only Way Is Essex **10.45** Film: Gladiator (2000)

ITV3
2.10 Film: Carry On Camping (1969) **4.00** Film: Carry On Henry (1971) **5.55** Downton Abbey **8.00** All the Queen's Horses with Alan Titchmarsh **9.00** Film: Elizabeth: The Golden Age (2007) **11.20** Film: Amazing Grace (2006)

ITV4
11.00 British Touring Car Championship. The third round of the season from the Thruxton Circuit in Hampshire. **6.00** Live Indian Premier League Cricket. Delhi DareDevils v Kochi Tuskers Kerala. **8.00** Minder **9.00** Film: Mercury Rising (1998) **11.15** Jean-Claude Van Damme: Behind Closed Doors

BBC THREE
7.00 Doctor Who **7.50** Doctor Who Confidential **8.00** Film: Indiana Jones and the Kingdom of the Crystal Skull (2008) **10.00** Family Guy **10.45** American Dad! **11.30** Two Pints of Lager and a Packet of Crisps

BBC FOUR
7.00 A History of Christianity **8.00** The Wonderful Wizard of Oz – The True Story **9.00** The Secret Life of Bob Monkhouse **10.30** The Story of Light Entertainment

E4
3.55 Film: Rat Race (2001) **6.00** Friends **7.00** 90210 **8.00** Friends **9.00** Desperate Housewives **11.00** Being Erica

FILM4
3.10 The Iron Giant (1999) **4.50** Rooster Cogburn (1975) **6.55** The Madness of King George (1995) **9.00** Big Trouble in Little China (1986) **10.55** Near Dark (1987)

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Monday

BBC1 **6.00** Breakfast. **9.00** Animal 24:7. **9.45** Homes Under the Hammer. **10.45** Don't Get Done, Get Dom. **11.30** Cash in the Attic. **12.30** Bargain Hunt. (R) **1.15** BBC News. **1.30** Regional News; Weather. **1.40** Escape to the Country. (R) **2.40** Film: Antz. (1998) **4.00** Wallace & Gromit: The Wrong Trousers. (R) **4.30** Film: National Treasure. (2004) Action adventure, starring Nicolas Cage. **6.30** BBC News. **6.45** Regional News Programmes; Weather. **6.55** Referendum Broadcast on Behalf of the No Campaign. (R) **7.00** The One Show. **7.30** Bang Goes the Theory. **8.00** EastEnders. **8.30** QI. **9.00** Exile. **10.00** BBC News. **10.10** Regional News; Weather. **10.15** Party Election Broadcast. **10.20** A Question of Sport. **10.50** Late Kick Off. **11.20** The Graham Norton Show; (R) Weatherview. **12.15** Sign Zone: MasterChef. (R) **1.15** Rock & Chips. (R) **2.15** Arctic with Bruce Parry. (R) **3.15** BBC News.

BBC2 **6.00** CBeebies. **7.00** CBBC. **8.30** CBeebies. **11.35** The Pink Panther Show. (R) **12.00** Daily Politics. **12.30** GMT with George Alagiah. **1.00** Animal Park. (R) **2.00** Live Snooker: The World Championship. The third and penultimate session of the final. **5.55** Referendum Broadcast on Behalf of the No Campaign. **6.00** Eggheads. **6.30** Great British Menu. **7.00** Live Snooker: The World Championship. The concluding session of the final from Sheffield. **11.00** Party Election Broadcast. (R) **11.05** Film: The Boys from Brazil. (1978) **1.05** BBC News. **3.15** Close. **4.00** BBC Learning Zone.

ITV1 **6.00** Daybreak. **8.30** Lorraine. **9.25** Dinner Date. (R) **10.25** This Morning. **11.30** 60 Minute Makeover. (R) **12.30** Loose Women. **1.30** ITV News; Weather. **1.55** Regional News; Weather. **2.00** Inspector Morse. (R) **4.00** The Alan Titchmarsh Show. **5.00** Britain's Best Dish. **6.00** Regional News; Weather. **6.10** Party Election Broadcast. **6.15** ITV News; Weather. **6.25** Referendum Broadcast on Behalf of the No Campaign. (R) **6.30** You've Been Framed! (R) **7.00** Emmerdale. **7.30** Coronation Street. **8.00** The Dales. **8.30** Coronation Street. **9.00** Case Sensitive. **10.00** ITV News at Ten; Weather. **10.15** Film: Basic Instinct. (1992) Thriller, starring Sharon Stone and Michael Douglas. **12.30** The Zone; ITV News Headlines. **2.35** UEFA Champions League Weekly. **3.00** ITV Nightscreen. **4.35** The Jeremy Kyle Show. (R) **5.30** ITV Morning News.

Channel 4 **6.10** The Hoobs. (R) **6.35** The Hoobs. (R) **7.00** Freshly Squeezed. **7.30** Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) **8.00** Frasier. (R) **8.35** Friends. (R) **9.05** Wife Swap USA. (R) **10.00** Relocation, Relocation. (R) **11.00** A Place by the Sea. **12.05** Make Do & Mend. **12.35** River Cottage Bites. (R) **12.50** Film: Return of the Magnificent Seven. (1966) Western sequel, starring Yul Brynner. **2.40** Baking Mad with Eric Lanlard. **3.10** Countdown. **4.00** Deal or No Deal. **5.00** Come Dine with Me. (R) **6.00** The Simpsons. (R) **6.30** Hollyoaks. **7.00** Channel 4 News. **7.05** Referendum Broadcast on Behalf of the No Campaign. **7.10** The Unofficial – Royal Wedding. **8.00** Dambusters: Building the Bouncing Bomb. **10.00** Film: Under Siege 2: Dark Territory. (1995) Action adventure sequel, starring Steven Seagal. **11.55** 4thought.tv. **12.00** The Event. **12.55** Poker. **2.00** The SS. (R) **2.55** Empire: How Britain Made the Modern World. (R) **3.50** Warlords. (R) **4.45** Codex. (R) **5.25** Hill Street Blues. (R)

Channel 5 **6.00** Milkshake! **9.15** The Wright Stuff. **11.05** CSI: NY. (R) **12.00** CSI: NY. (R) **12.55** Extraordinary Dogs. (R) **1.25** 5 News Lunchtime. **1.30** Home and Away. **2.00** Neighbours. **2.30** Film: Ice Station Zebra. (1968) Arctic adventure, starring Rock Hudson. **5.15** 5 News at 5; Weather. **5.30** Neighbours. (R) **6.00** Home and Away. (R) **6.30** Extraordinary Dogs. (R) **6.55** Referendum Broadcast on Behalf of the No Campaign. **7.00** Police Interceptors. (R) **8.00** The Gadget Show; 5 News at 9. **9.00** The Hotel Inspector. **10.00** Film: The Sweetest Thing. (2002) **11.45** Film: National Lampoon's Barely Legal. (2003) Comedy, starring Tony Denman. **1.30** SuperCasino. **4.00** Meals in Moments. (R) **4.10** Brian Sewell's Grand Tour. (R) **4.55** Animal Rescue Squad. (R) **5.10** Wildlife SOS. (R)

Tuesday

BBC1 **6.00** Breakfast. **9.15** Animal 24:7. **10.00** Homes Under the Hammer; BBC News; Weather. **11.00** Don't Get Done, Get Dom. **11.45** Cash in the Attic; BBC News; Weather. **12.15** Bargain Hunt. (R) **1.00** BBC News; Weather. **1.30** Regional News; Weather. **1.45** Doctors. **2.15** Escape to the Country. (R) **3.00** BBC News; Weather; Regional News. **3.05** CBBC. **5.15** Weakest Link. **6.00** BBC News; Weather. **6.30** Regional News Programmes; Weather. **6.55** Referendum Broadcast on Behalf of the Yes Campaign. (R) **7.00** The One Show. **7.30** EastEnders; BBC News; Regional News. **8.00** Holby City. **9.00** Exile. **10.00** BBC News. **10.25** Regional News; Weather. **10.35** Party Election Broadcast. (R) **10.40** See You in Court. **11.30** The Lock Up. **12.00** Film: Trespass. (1992); Weatherview. **1.45** Sign Zone: Madagascar. (R) **2.45** The Hairy Bikers: Mums Know Best. (R) **3.45** Great British Railway Journeys. (R) **4.15** One Man and His Campervan. (R) **4.45** BBC News.

BBC2 **6.00** CBeebies. **7.00** CBBC. **8.30** CBeebies. **11.35** The Pink Panther Show. (R) **12.00** Daily Politics. **12.30** GMT with George Alagiah. **12.55** Diagnosis Murder. (R) **1.40** Restoration Roadshow. (R) **2.10** To Buy or Not to Buy. (R) **2.55** Flog It! (R) **3.40** Helicopter Heroes. (R) **4.25** Pointless. (R) **5.10** Cash in the Celebrity Attic. **5.55** Referendum Broadcast on Behalf of the Yes Campaign. **6.00** Eggheads. **6.30** Great British Menu. **7.00** Coast. (R) **8.00** Britain's Next Big Thing. **9.00** The Quite Remarkable David Coleman. **10.00** Later Live – with Jools Holland. **10.30** Newsnight; Weather. **11.20** Party Election Broadcast. (R) **11.25** The Secrets of Scott's Hut. (R) **12.55** BBC News. **4.00** BBC Learning Zone.

ITV1 **6.00** Daybreak. **8.30** Lorraine. **9.25** The Jeremy Kyle Show. **10.30** This Morning. **12.30** Loose Women. **1.30** ITV News; Weather. **1.55** Regional News; Weather. **2.00** 60 Minute Makeover. **3.00** The Alan Titchmarsh Show. **3.59** Regional Weather. **4.00** Midsomer Murders. (R) **5.00** Britain's Best Dish. **6.00** Regional News; Weather. **6.25** Party Election Broadcast. **6.30** ITV News; Weather. **6.50** Referendum Broadcast on Behalf of the Yes Campaign. **7.00** Emmerdale. **7.30** Military Driving School. **8.00** Countrywise. **9.00** Case Sensitive. **10.00** ITV News at Ten; Weather. **10.30** Regional News; Weather. **10.35** Film: The Fast and the Furious: Tokyo Drift. (2006) **12.30** The Zone; ITV News Headlines. **2.30** Crossing Jordan. **3.30** ITV Nightscreen. **5.30** ITV Morning News.

Channel 4 **6.15** The Hoobs. (R) **6.40** The Hoobs. (R) **7.05** Freshly Squeezed. **7.30** Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) **7.55** Frasier. (R) **8.25** Friends. (R) **8.55** Wife Swap USA. (R) **9.55** Relocation, Relocation. (R) **10.55** A Place by the Sea. **12.00** News. **12.05** Make Do & Mend. **12.35** The TV Book Club. (R) **1.05** Jamie at Home. (R) **1.35** Film: The Bounty Hunter. (1954) **3.10** Countdown. **4.00** Deal or No Deal. **5.00** Come Dine with Me. (R) **6.00** The Simpsons. (R) **6.30** Hollyoaks. **7.00** News. **7.50** Referendum Broadcast on Behalf of the Yes Campaign. **7.55** 4thought.tv. **8.00** Supersize vs Superskinny. **9.00** The Secret Millionaire. **10.00** Campus. **11.05** Misfits. **12.05** UK & Ireland Poker Tour. **1.05** Freesports on 4. (R) **1.30** The Grid. (R) **2.00** British Formula 3 International Series. (R) **2.25** FOTV Boxing Weekly. **2.50** ITU Triathlon. (R) **3.45** FIVB Beach Volleyball. (R) **4.35** Rat Race Urban Adventure. (R) **5.05** Full Metal Challenge. (R)

Channel 5 **6.00** Milkshake! **9.15** The Wright Stuff. **11.05** Extreme Fishing with Robson Green. (R) **12.05** Meals in Moments. **12.10** 5 News Lunchtime. **12.20** Law & Order. (R) **1.15** Home and Away. **1.45** Neighbours. **2.15** The Vanessa Show. **3.05** Chinese Food in Minutes. (R) **3.15** Film: Confessions of a Young Bride. (2005) **5.00** News; Weather. **5.30** Neighbours. **6.00** Home and Away. (R) **6.25** OK! TV. **7.00** News. **7.25** Referendum Broadcast on Behalf of the Yes Campaign. **7.30** Highland Emergency; (R) News. **8.00** The King's Speech: Revealed; 5 News at 9. **9.00** CSI: Crime Scene Investigation. **10.00** CSI: Miami. **10.55** CSI: NY. **11.55** CSI: Crime Scene Investigation. **12.50** SuperCasino. **4.00** Meals in Moments. **4.10** Brian Sewell's Grand Tour. **4.55** Animal Rescue Squad. **5.10** Wildlife SOS. (R)

Wednesday

BBC1 **6.00** Breakfast. **9.15** Animal 24:7. **10.00** Homes Under the Hammer; BBC News; Weather. **11.00** Don't Get Done, Get Dom. **11.45** Cash in the Attic; BBC News; Weather. **12.15** Bargain Hunt. (R) **1.00** BBC News; Weather. **1.30** Regional News; Weather. **1.45** Doctors. **2.15** Escape to the Country. (R) **3.00** BBC News; Weather; Regional News. **3.05** CBBC. **5.15** Weakest Link. (R) **6.00** BBC News; Weather. **6.30** Regional News Programmes; Weather. **7.00** **The One Show.** **7.30** Waterloo Road; BBC News; Regional News. **8.30** Life of Riley. **9.00** Council Houses – Cheats and Victims: Panorama. **10.00** BBC News. **10.25** Regional News; Weather. **10.35** **The National Lottery Wednesday Night Draws.** **10.45** Would I Lie to You? (R) **11.15** Film: Invincible. (2006) Fact-based sporting drama, starring Mark Wahlberg; National Lottery Update; Weatherview. **12.55** Sign Zone: See Hear. (R) **1.25** Watchdog. (R) **2.25** Country Tracks. (R) **3.25** Antiques Roadshow. (R) **4.25** BBC News.

BBC2 **6.00** CBeebies. **7.00** CBBC. **8.30** CBeebies. **11.30** Daily Politics. **1.00** See Hear. **1.30** Car Booty. (R) **2.15** To Buy or Not to Buy. (R) **3.00** Flog It! (R) **3.45** Helicopter Heroes. (R) **4.30** Pointless. (R) **5.15** Cash in the Celebrity Attic. **6.00** Eggheads. **6.30** Great British Menu. **7.00** Escape to the Country. (R) **8.00** Two Greedy Italians. **9.00** Children's Craniofacial Surgery. **10.00** Never Mind the Buzzcocks. (R) **10.30** Newsnight; Weather. **11.20** Stewart Lee's Comedy Vehicle. **11.50** The Quite Remarkable David Coleman. (R) **12.50** BBC News. **4.00** BBC Learning Zone.

ITV1 **6.00** Daybreak. **8.30** Lorraine. **9.25** The Jeremy Kyle Show. **10.30** This Morning. **12.30** Loose Women. **1.30** ITV News; Weather. **1.55** Regional News; Weather. **2.00** 60 Minute Makeover. **3.00** The Alan Titchmarsh Show. **3.59** Regional Weather. **4.00** Midsomer Murders. (R) **5.00** Britain's Best Dish. **6.00** Regional News; Weather. **6.30** ITV News; Weather. **7.00** Emmerdale. **7.30** UEFA Champions League Live. Manchester United v Schalke 04 (Kick-off 7.45pm). **10.00** ITV News at Ten; Weather. **10.30** Regional News; Weather. **10.35** UEFA Champions League: Extra Time. **11.35** Long Lost Family. (R) **12.35** The Zone; ITV News Headlines. **2.35** Kojak. (R) **5.00** **ITV Nightscreen. 5.30 ITV Morning News.**

Channel 4 **6.00** The Treacle People. (R) **6.10** The Hoobs. (R) **6.35** The Hoobs. (R) **7.00** Freshly Squeezed. **7.30** Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) **8.00** Frasier. (R) **8.30** Friends. (R) **9.00** Wife Swap USA. (R) **9.55** Relocation, Relocation. (R) **10.55** A Place by the Sea. **12.00** News Summary. **12.05** Make Do & Mend. **12.35** The TV Book Club. (R) **1.05** Jamie at Home. (R) **1.35** Channel 4 Racing. **3.10** Countdown. **4.00** Deal or No Deal. **5.00** Come Dine with Me. (R) **6.00** The Simpsons. (R) **6.30** Hollyoaks. **7.00** News. **7.55** 4thought.tv. **8.00** Vacation, Vacation, Vacation. **8.30** Superscrimpers: Waste Not Want Not. **9.00** Boudica's Lost Tribe: A Time Team Special. **10.00** Desperate Housewives. **11.05** The Big C. **11.40** Music on 4: Being N-Dubz in America and Beyond. **12.10** Music on 4: The Album Chart Show Introduces: Hurts. (R) **12.25** Music on 4: Abbey Road Debuts. **12.45** Music on 4: The Album Chart Show Spotlight. **1.00** Music on 4: Mercury Prize Sessions. (R) **1.15** Music on 4: Wakestock Festival. (R) **1.40** Film: Six Degrees of Separation. (1993). **3.30** Ugly Betty. (R) **4.15** Hill Street Blues. **5.10** Countdown. (R) **5.55** Sali Mali.

Channel 5 **6.00** Milkshake! **9.15** The Wright Stuff. **11.05** Extreme Fishing with Robson Green. (R) **12.05** Meals in Moments. (R) **12.10** 5 News Lunchtime. **12.20** Law & Order. (R) **1.15** Home and Away. **1.45** Neighbours. **2.15** The Vanessa Show. **3.05** Chinese Food in Minutes. (R) **3.15** Film: Murder 101: Locked Room Mystery. (2008). **5.00** 5 News at 5; Weather. **5.30** Neighbours. (R) **6.00** Home and Away. (R) **6.25** OK! TV. **7.00** 5 News at 7. **7.30** Zoo Days; (R) 5 News Update. **8.00** Essex Jungle; 5 News at 9. **9.00** NCIS. **10.00** Law & Order: Criminal Intent. (R) **10.55** Law & Order: Special Victims Unit. (R) **11.55** Poker: Aussie Millions. **12.50** SuperCasino. **4.05** Meals in Moments. (R) **4.10** Brian Sewell's Grand Tour. (R) **4.55** County Secrets. (R) **5.10** Wildlife SOS. (R)

Thursday

BBC1 **6.00** Breakfast. **9.15** Animal 24:7. (R) **9.55** Homes Under the Hammer; BBC News; Weather. **11.00** Don't Get Done, Get Dom. **11.45** Cash in the Attic; BBC News; Weather. **12.15** Bargain Hunt. (R) **1.00** BBC News; Weather. **1.30** Regional News; Weather. **1.45** Doctors. **2.15** Escape to the Country. (R) **3.00** BBC News; Weather; Regional News. **3.05** CBBC. **5.15** Weakest Link. **6.00** BBC News; Weather. **6.30** Regional News Programmes; Weather. **7.00** The One Show. **7.30** EastEnders; BBC News; Regional News. **8.00** Watchdog. **9.00** Inside the Human Body. **10.00** BBC News. **10.25** Regional News; Weather. **10.35** Question Time. **11.35** Vote 2011.

BBC2 **6.00** CBeebies. **7.00** CBBC. **8.30** CBeebies. **11.35** The Pink Panther Show. (R) **12.00** Daily Politics. **12.30** GMT with George Alagiah. **1.00** Diagnosis Murder. (R) **1.45** Nature's Top 40. (R) **2.15** To Buy or Not to Buy. (R) **3.00** Flog It! (R) **3.45** Helicopter Heroes. (R) **4.30** Pointless. (R) **5.15** Cash in the Celebrity Attic. **6.00** Eggheads. **6.30** Great British Menu. **7.00** The Great Estate: The Rise & Fall of the Council House. **8.00** The Animal's Guide to Britain. **9.00** The Shadow Line. **10.00** Psychoville. **10.30** Newsnight; Weather. **11.20** Children's Craniofacial Surgery. (R) **12.20** News. **4.00** Learning Zone.

ITV1 **6.00** Daybreak. **8.30** Lorraine. **9.25** The Jeremy Kyle Show. **10.30** This Morning. **12.30** Loose Women. **1.30** ITV News; Weather. **1.55** Regional News; Weather. **2.00** 60 Minute Makeover. **3.00** The Alan Titchmarsh Show. **3.59** Regional Weather. **4.00** Midsomer Murders. (R) **5.00** Britain's Best Dish. **6.00** Regional News; Weather. **6.30** ITV News; Weather. **7.00** Emmerdale. **7.30** Human Rights and Wrongs: Tonight. **8.00** Emmerdale. **8.30** Coronation Street. **9.00** Long Lost Family. **10.00** ITV News at Ten; Weather. **10.30** Regional News; Weather. **10.35** Piers Morgan's Life Stories: Ann Widdecombe. (R) **11.35** Martin Clunes: Man to Manta. (R) **12.30** The Zone; ITV News Headlines. **2.30** British Touring Car Championship Highlights. **3.50** ITV Nightscreen. **4.35** Jeremy Kyle: Morning Surgery. **5.30** ITV Morning News.

Channel 4 **6.00** The Treacle People. (R) **6.10** The Hoobs. (R) **6.35** The Hoobs. (R) **7.00** Freshly Squeezed. **7.30** Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) **7.55** Frasier. (R) **8.25** Friends. (R) **8.55** Wife Swap USA. (R) **9.55** Relocation, Relocation. (R) **10.55** A Place by the Sea. **12.00** Channel 4 News Summary. **12.05** Make Do & Mend. **12.35** The TV Book Club. (R) **1.05** Jamie at Home. (R) **1.35** Channel 4 Racing. Live coverage from Chester. and Goodwood. **3.10** Countdown. **4.00** Deal or No Deal. **5.00** Come Dine with Me. (R) **6.00** The Simpsons. (R) **6.30** Hollyoaks. **7.00** Channel 4 News. **7.55** 4thought.tv. **8.00** Three in a Bed. **9.00** Jackpots and Jinxes: Lottery Stories. People whose lives have been transformed by wins on the National Lottery. **10.00** David Walliams' Awfully Good Movie Moments. **12.00** Music on 4: Japan Disaster Benefit. **12.50** Music on 4: The JD Set: Glasgow. **1.05** Music on 4: 4Play: Frankie and the Heartstrings. (R) **1.15** Music on 4: The Crush. (R) **2.10** Film: The Last Mitterrand. (2005) Semi-fictional biopic, starring Michel Bouquet. **4.10** Hill Street Blues. (R) **5.00** Wogan's Perfect Recall. (R) **5.25** Countdown. (R)

Channel 5 **6.00** Milkshake! **9.15** The Wright Stuff. **11.05** Extreme Fishing with Robson Green. (R) **12.05** Meals in Moments. **12.10** 5 News Lunchtime. **12.20** Law & Order. (R) **1.15** Home and Away. **1.45** Neighbours. **2.15** The Vanessa Show. **3.05** Chinese Food in Minutes. (R) **3.15** Film: Hush. (2005) Thriller, starring Tori Spelling. **5.00** 5 News at 5; Weather. **5.30** Neighbours. (R) **6.00** Home and Away. (R) **6.25** OK! TV. **7.00** 5 News at 7. **7.25** How Do They Do It? The construction of high-speed train networks. (R) **7.55** Live UEFA Europa League Football. Coverage of the second leg of a semi-final in European football's second cup competition (Kick-off 8.05pm). Subsequent programmes are subject to change. **10.00** Film: Cobra. (1986) Action thriller, with Sylvester Stallone. **11.50** Cops in Crisis. (R) **12.10** SuperCasino. **4.00** Meals in Moments. (R) **4.10** Brian Sewell's Grand Tour. (R) **4.55** County Secrets. (R) **5.10** Wildlife SOS. (R)

Friday

BBC1 **6.00** Breakfast. **9.15** Animal 24:7. (R) **10.00** Homes Under the Hammer; BBC News; Weather. **11.00** Don't Get Done, Get Dom. **11.45** Cash in the Attic; BBC News; Weather. **12.15** Bargain Hunt. (R) **1.00** BBC News; Weather. **1.30** Regional News; Weather. **1.45** Doctors. **2.15** Escape to the Country. **3.00** BBC News; Weather; Regional News. **3.05** CBBC. **5.15** Weakest Link. **6.00** BBC News; Weather. **6.30** Regional News Programmes; Weather. **7.00** The One Show; **BBC News; Regional News. 8.00** EastEnders. **8.30** A Question of Sport. (R) **9.00** Have I Got News for You. **9.30** Outnumbered. (R) **10.00** BBC News. **10.25** Regional News; Weather. **10.40** The Graham Norton Show. **11.25** The National Lottery Friday Night Draws. **11.35** The One Show. (R) **12.35** Film: Assault on Precinct 13. (1976) Thriller, starring Darwin Joston; Weatherview. **2.05** Sign Zone: The Hairy Bikers: Mums Know Best. (R) **3.05** Countryfile. (R) **4.05** Great British Railway Journeys. (R) **4.35** BBC News.

BBC2 **6.00** CBeebies. **7.00** CBBC. **8.30** CBeebies. **11.35** The Pink Panther Show. (R) **12.00** Vote 2011. **1.00** Animal Park. (R) **2.00** Vote 2011. **3.00** Flog It! (R) **3.45** Helicopter Heroes. **4.15** Pointless. (R) **5.00** Vote 2011. **6.00** Eggheads. **6.30** Great British Menu. **7.00** Railway Walks. (R) **7.30** Verdict on 7/7: A Newsnight Special. **8.00** Petworth House – The Big Spring Clean. **8.30** Gardeners' World. **9.00** Monty Don's Italian Gardens. **10.00** Frank Skinner's Opinionated. (R) **10.30** Newsnight; Weather. **11.35** Later with Jools Holland. **12.35** Film: Lawn Dogs. (1997) Drama, starring Mischa Barton and Sam Rockwell. **2.15** BBC News. **4.35** Close.

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Channel 4 **6.10** The Hoobs. (R) **6.35** The Hoobs. (R) **7.00** Freshly Squeezed. **7.30** Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) **8.00** Frasier. (R) **8.30** Friends. (R) **9.00** Wife Swap USA. (R) **9.55** Relocation, Relocation. (R) **10.55** A Place by the Sea. **12.00** Channel 4 News Summary. **12.05** Make Do & Mend. **12.35** The TV Book Club. (R) **1.05** Jamie at Home. (R) **1.35** Channel 4 Racing. Live coverage of this afternoon's meeting at Chester. **3.10** Countdown. **4.00** Deal or No Deal. **5.00** Come Dine with Me. (R) **6.00** The Simpsons. (R) **6.30** Hollyoaks. **7.00** Channel 4 News. **7.55** 4thought.tv. **8.00** A Place in the Sun: Home or Away. **9.00** The Million Pound Drop Live. **10.25** Jimmy Carr: Telling Jokes. (R) **11.25** The Ricky Gervais Show. **12.00** Music on 4: Fight for Your Right Revisited. **12.30** Music on 4: Chase & Status: Live in London. (R) **12.55** My Name Is Earl. (R) **1.40** Freaky. (R) **2.05** Undressing My Mother. (R) **2.15** Farewell Packets of 10. (R) **2.20** Brain Damage. (R) **2.25** Ugly Betty. (R) **3.10** Hill Street Blues. (R) **4.00** The Unofficial – Royal Wedding. (R) **4.50** Wogan's Perfect Recall. (R) **5.15** Countdown. (R)

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1. About to assume an attitude for sleep (6)
4. Got through the test as approved (6)
9. Rendering the required tax and expressing approbation! (6,7)
10. On which the remains of the weeds will be deposited (3-4)
11. A distinguishing mark shown by tailless burrower (5)
12. Often follows the route for a month (5)
14. Intermediate positions can produce wealth (5)
18. Allow to remain - or permission to depart! (5)
19. One who gets the needle should keep it on hand (7)
21. Where appointments are kept, you'll find a spy clattering perhaps (8-5)
22. Have a strong dislike of French trial (6)
23. They will cut grass (6)

Down

1. Give an encore - it may follow earlier drawing (6)
2. He encourages you to speak your mind (13)
3. A bit of a surprise normally as an address in Spain (5)
5. Friend in France having sufficient skill to be pleasant (7)
6. Finding out what the directors think of a device for increasing resonance (8-5)
7. Some of the studies elucidating a kind of engine (6)
8. Restrains the guys (5)
13. Produces something new from a secret formula! (7)
15. Severely criticised the way in which some roofs are made (6)
16. Make up for a faulty note (5)
17. Considers the wishes of others and postpones (6)
20. He'll make mischief with the Spanish force (5)

Quick Clues:

Across

1. Curb (6)
4. Swordsman (6)
9. Absolute (13)
10. Integrity (7)
11. Deal with (5)
12. Essential (5)
14. Tearful (5)
18. Watchful (5)
19. Emit rays (7)
21. Interchange (13)
22. Loophole (6)
23. Disclose (6)

Down

1. Purchased (6)
2. Thoughtless (13)
3. Golf-course (5)
5. Letter (7)
6. Thoughtful (13)
7. Tell (6)
8. Prophetess (5)
13. Stage performer (7)
15. Cows (6)
16. Wilt (5)
17. Springlike (6)
20. Impel (5)

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LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS:
CRYPTIC - Across: 1 Repercussion; 7 Motif; 8 Breve; 9 Own; 10 Waist-band; 11 Hearty; 12 Enigma; 15 Rearrange; 17 Nag; 18 Pasha; 19 Vices; 21 Selling-plate. Down: 1 Radiotherapy; 2 Rot; 3 Unfair 4 Substance; 5 Omega; 6 Dead language; 7 Manna; 10 Waterfall; 13 Genus; 14 Uneven; 16 Aisle; 20 Cap. QUICK - Across: 1 Schoolmaster; 7 Peril; 8 Enter; 9 Tow; 10 Eloquence; 11 Narrow; 12 Far off; 15 Sacrilege; 17 Eon; 18 Alien; 19 There; 21 Sailing boats. Down: 1 Shooting star; 2 Oar; 3 Mellow; 4 Speculate; 5 Eaten; 6 Green fingers; 7 Power; 10 Emotional; 113 Obese; 14 Beaten; 16 China; 20 Ebb.

Sudoku

Fill in the grid below so that every column, every row and each of the 3x3 boxes contains all the digits from 1 to 9.

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LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS >

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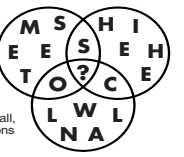
Circlegram

Replace the question mark with a letter so that the letters within each circle can be arranged to form words on a common theme. What are the three words, and the letter represented by the question mark?



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Nothing beats the atmosphere at Silverstone when a British driver takes to the circuit. In 2011 both Lewis Hamilton and Jenson Button will be aiming to impress the loyal British fans at their home race and hoping to mount the steps of the Silverstone podium.

The British Grand Prix is the oldest race in the Formula 1 calendar, reaching its 61st anniversary in 2011. Originally a Second World War airfield, Silverstone has hosted the race regularly since 1950, and every year since 1987.

The circuit is famous for being one of the fastest and most challenging tracks, testing even the best driver's skills to the limit.

After victory in front of his home fans in 2008, Lewis Hamilton will be looking to emulate this success again, whilst Jenson Button would love to win at Silverstone and join the list of elite British drivers to win in front of a home crowd, including Jackie Stewart, James Hunt, Nigel Mansell, Damon Hill and David Coulthard.

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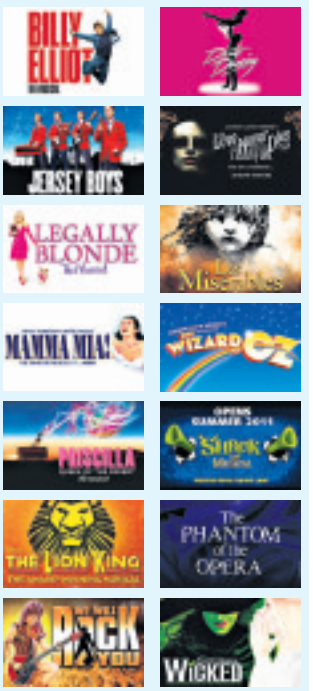

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DVD review

Johnny Depp and Angelina Jolie in The Tourist

The Tourist (15)

LOVELY to look at but quite preposterous, The Tourist is an uneven blend of crime caper, romantic comedy and thriller, bound together by the star quality of its leads, Angelina Jolie and Johnny Depp.

Jolie plays the elegant girlfriend of a criminal mastermind who, despite her every move being watched by Interpol, attempts to make contact with her mega-wealthy boyfriend, Alexander, who has apparently spent a few million on plastic surgery.

To throw police off the scent, she follows his instructions to involve an ordinary chap, a random train passenger of similar build to the mysterious Alexander. Enter hapless tourist Frank, a maths teacher from Wisconsin, played by Depp, who is reading a spy thriller when the charismatic Elise (Jolie) sits opposite him on the Paris to Venice train, and turns his life upside down.

Soon Frank is being chased across Venetian rooftops in his jimjams by Russian thugs employed by a British gangster (Steven Berkoff at his menacing best) whose millions Alexander stole.

Add to the mix an obsessed British cop (Paul Bettany) and an engimatic mystery man (Rufus Sewell), plus lots of double crosses and bluffs.

Unfortunately, director Florian Henckel Von Donnersmarck is less impressive for his direction than his name, despite having won an Oscar for previous – very different – movie, The Lives of Others. He certainly lacks the deft touch of Hitchcock or Polanski. If you don't guess the twist within 20 minutes, you're really not trying, and some of the attempts at humour (Frank speaking in Spanish to the Italians) are clunky. One dance scene is downright daft.

However, Venice looks wonderful and the two stars are easy on the eye too. It adds up to a mildly enjoyable Eurotrash timewaster.

LB

Simply Dance!

WITH all the hype about dancing at the moment I think anybody who hasn't given it a try should and this new DVD Simply Dance! is the ideal way to make you take that initial step.

I have sat and watched Strictly Come Dancing and Dancing On Ice and been enthralled, not just by the moves but by the stars' enthusiasm and love for the dancing.

Sportsmen who had never thought of taking those steps before were totally hooked and this DVD shows how dance can change your life, make you a better person and possibly even help in your love life.

Follow celebrity divorce lawyer Vanessa Lloyd-Platt on her journey of self discovery through the magic of dance. Go to her lessons with Strictly Come Dancing professional Andrew Cuerden and hear what it's like to step out onto the dance floor for the very first time.This goes behind the scenes of ballroom dancing to reveal how uplifting dance can be.

SA

Funnyman Micky Flanagan on the secret of his comedy focus

Down to earth – Micky Flanagan who is due to appear at Wolverhampton Civic Hall

Kit-Kats at 80p, live or die live and a common touch

COCKNEY comedian Micky Flanagan brings his Out Out Tour to the Wolverhampton Civic Hall on May 11.

The tour completes a whirlwind 18 months for Micky as his hard work around the comedy circuit paid off with appearances on Live At The Apollo, Mock The Week and The Royal Variety Performance to name but a few.

Micky is down to earth and self-deprecating, and appreciates his working-class background is what keeps him grounded.

The former fish-packer said: "Fame hasn't changed me. My favourite things are still popping out for a set breakfast or sitting in a pub with a pint of Ramrod and Special and the evening paper."

Despite regularly turning up on the small screen, live shows are where Micky thrives and enjoys himself most.

He said: "Stand-up is uncluttered and clean. It's uncensored. You live or die by what you do. I love that clarity. Comedy needs focus and investment from the audience, and that's why it works best live."

Much of the material Micky uses allows the audience to relate to what he is saying, a connection he enthuses about.

He said: "The other night, I had a rant on stage about them charging 80p for a Kit-Kat on trains, and I got a cheer. I thought, 'That's it. I've connected. They're with me on this'."

Reviews

Beauty and the Beast, Grand Theatre, Wolverhampton

IF you were expecting to see Disney's version of Beauty and the Beast at the Grand Theatre,I think you could have been disappointed by this production.

Having said that,it didn't take very long for my own personal disappointment to be replaced by a total enjoyment of this new twist on the original.

The pantomime overtone puts an emphasis on having fun and that is exactly what the production achieved, although some of the jokes would have gone over the heads of younger members of the audience.

Side-splitting comedy and brilliant impressions as well as fantastic songs and lively dance routines from an enthusiastic cast made this musical enjoyable for all of the family.

Jonathon Ansell of G4 fame,delivers an impressive performance as the Beast with his acting as well as vocals.

His renditions of 'Just The Way You Are' , Queen's 'Someone To Love' and the title song 'Beauty and the Beast' were note perfect.

Melissa Suffield of Eastenders fame is a suitable Beauty although her deep voice at times takes away the sweetness of her character.

The cast were joined on stage by local school children who performed well-rehearsed song and dance routines.

Les Jowett

One of the colourful scenes from Spamalot which is full of fun and laughter

Spamalot, Grand Theatre, Wolverhampton

IF you want a night of guaranteed fun, the outrageous Spamalot at the Grand Theatre is the place to be.

This fast-paced musical, lovingly ripped off from Monty Python and the Holy Grail, is a blast that will appeal to base-sense humour.

Even if you are not a Monty Python fan (and I confess, I am not) there are plenty of laughs crafted in the silliness of the script and the catchy songs.

The flamboyant costumes and colourful scenery are delightfully uplifting in this medieval mischief production created by a terrific multi-role cast.

Make-pretend horses ridden around the stage by King Arthur and his knights, a white rabbit biting off a man's head, risque gags with passing reference to Simon Cowell, and actors playing Susan Boyle and Ozzie Osborne, are just a few of the side- splitting moments.

Phill Jupitus makes a stoic King Arthur and Todd Carty plays the deadpan manservant Patsy with some wonderful facial expressions.

Lady of the Lake Jessica Martin has an amazing voice and her skill for holding notes and taking them high is awesome.

The 'Song That Goes Like This' ,'Knights of the Round Table'and 'The Grail' are just a few of the many catchy numbers powerfully sung.

A singalong of 'Always Look On The Bright Side Of Life' got the entire audience joining in.There was a shock for an unsuspecting member of the audience in the finale when he was brought onto the stage to be embarrassingly presented with The Holy Grail.

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New city car ticks all the boxes

By Iain Dooley

IN THE PAST, if you wanted an affordable runabout you had to compromise; refinement, cabin quality, performance and equipment levels were never great.

Recently things have started to change for the better. Factor in buyers downsizing and it's good to see manufacturers upping their game.

Some have responded more quickly than others, with Korean firm Kia surprising industry observers with its new Picanto.

The outgoing car has been a huge success, but it remains a genuine budget car – there's a big step from this to Kia's family hatch C'eed, for instance.

Not anymore, as the company has delivered a new Picanto boasting greater levels of refinement, a more dynamic on-road performance, improved cabin and boot space, family car levels of safety kit and economy, and emissions low enough to rival anything with a Bluemotion badge.

Essentially this latest generation Picanto is a mature and sophisticated interpreta tion of the classic city car. It's still small enough to drive around town and slot into those impossibly small parking spaces, but now it has the ride and handling qualities of something much bigger.

The same is true of the car's cabin, which is now more accommodating – thanks to a fractionally longer wheelbase – and furnished with noticeably higher grade materials. It's also a more stylish environment, which does much to distance the Picanto from the unadventurous stereotype of Korean cars of old.

Confidence

Style-wise this Picanto could never be described as unadventurous. Clearly influenced by Kia's Sportage SUV, the Picanto's bold looks demonstrate the new- found confidence of the firm's design team.

There will be no mistaking this car's fuss-free sheetmetal and bold nose treatment for anything else in the supermarket car park. Getting younger buyers into the Picanto is priority right now, and Kia executives make no excuses for the car's striking appearance.

At the Picanto's core is a duo of small capacity petrol engines and impressive headline economy and emissions figures.

UK buyers will get a choice of 1.0-litre and 1.2-litre units with a five-speed manual gearbox and the option of a four-speed auto.

In standard trim the three-cylinder 1.0 motor emits just 99g/km CO2, with the bigger engine emitting 105g/km. Power output is 69 and 85 horsepower respectively, while economy for the 1.0-litre lump is 67.2mpg and 62.7mpg for the 1.2.

The inclusion of stop-start technology knocks four points off the three-pot engine's rating, and although impressive don't expect to see the technology on all the cars.

The Picanto already breaks the magic 100g/km figure, and the cost of the stop-start kit could be used to offer a different alloy wheel choice or other similarly priced creature comforts.

In practice the 1.0-litre Picanto will surprise many with its ability to keep pace with traffic, hold its own at motorway speeds and tackle corners with the maturity of something produced closer to home.

Kia's little city car is now all grown up, and its overall performance is easily a match for anything in the same class from Europe.

What's most impressive is that three-cylinder motor. A willing performer that never becomes raucous even when pushed hard, its flexible nature ensures smooth progress at urban speeds and there's always enough in reserve for the occasional traffic light grand prix and out-of-town adventure. The 1.2-litre car offers a little more power and might be suited to anyone who regularly ventures outside the city limits. In practice the performance gain is a small one and, besides, the plucky three-cylinder motor sounds nicer.

For many the ownership experience will be just as important, and with Kia offering three trim levels it's unlikely that you'll be short of choice.

Aside from the usual suspects – power steering, remote locking, anti-lock brakes – depending on the trim level, you can expect to see the likes of electric windows and mirrors, air-con, alloy wheels and an audio unit including MP3 player connectivity.

Kia's now famous, and generous, warranty is another plus that shouldn't be forgotten, and there's the Picanto's seven – yes, seven – airbags. For a small car Kia's Picanto makes a big impression.

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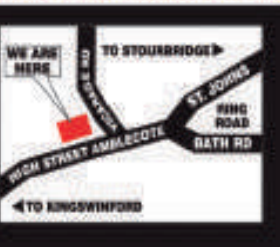

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MG Rover OE supplier XPart is introducing a replacement bumper for post-2004 Rover 75 Tourer and MG ZT-T models that will help to ensure that as many MG Rovers as possible remain on the road.

The bumpers are back in production and available from XPart, the official supplier of original MG and Rover parts.

The new bumper is hand-manufactured, with tolerances tightly controlled to ensure fast, simple fitment.

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"After the success of our Rover 25 replacement bumper we have every confidence that the Rover 75 Tourer and MG ZT-T bumper will provide an effective replacement for all post-2004 model," Barry Smith, UK sales manager, XPart said.

"We are constantly devising innovative solutions to keep MG Rovers on the road with high quality parts and this is another example of our ever-increasing portfolio."

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XPart goes to extraordinary lengths to provide support to MG Rover drivers, achieving 92 per cent part availability which ensures that there are still about one million MG Rovers on Britain's roads.

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● For further information about XPart's parts wholesaler and AutoService centre network, or to locate your nearest XPart MG Rover specialist, please visit www.xpart.co.uk.

If you would like to know more about the Close Call write-off avoidance scheme email the team at closecall@cat.com or telephone: 0845 603 4451.

Soul of Motion: the company's new design theme goes into production

Mazda christens its new compact model

MAZDA Motor Corporation has announced the name of its all-new compact crossover SUV.

The car, which is scheduled to launch in the UK in 2012, will be called the Mazda CX-5.

All-new, the Mazda CX-5 is the production model derived from the Mazda MINAGI concept car.

That vehicle made its debut at the Geneva Motor Show in March this year.

It will also be shown at the New York International Auto Show which opened this week.

The CX-5 will be the first production vehicle to incorporate Mazda's "KODO – Soul of Motion" design theme that premiered on the Mazda SHINARI concept car last year.

When it appears in Mazda showrooms around the world next year, the compact SUV will feature a number of Mazda's breakthrough SKYACTIV technologies.

The full range if improvements will include new-generation engines, along with transmissions, body-shell design and chassis engineering.

The "CX" in CX-5 is Mazda's official designation for its global line-up of crossover SUV vehicles.

This segment of its output also includes the Mazda CX-7 and Mazda CX-9 – depending on individual markets.

The CX-5 will be the compact model in the series.

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Flat Mile, Greensforge

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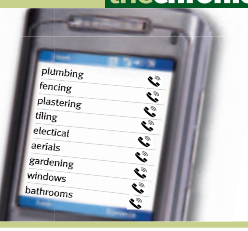

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BLONDE blue eyed female, no ties, CHAC, wanting open minded, easygoing man for fun and laughs. Any looks/status. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 363275

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BLACK female, medium build, mother of two, WLTM lovely gent, 34 40, N/S with CSOH for fun. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 148702

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HELEN 38, one child, blonde hair, 5ft 3ins, slim, attractive, likes swimming, dancing, seeks male, 40 53 for friendship, maybe more. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 337390

MICHELLE black British, 30, curvy slim, size 12, 5ft 5ins, sociable, friendly, understanding, loving, seeks male, 30 39 to enjoy romantic nights. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 317045

KIND romantic, loving lady, 48, slight disability, seeks genuine, caring male for relationship. Telford. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 354533

YVETTE pretty, stylish, modern, 48, outgoing, bubbly, sporty, seeks male for nights in/out. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 351997

BUBBLY female, 42, young at heart, honest, caring, likes outdoors, cinema, theatre, meals out, seeks likeminded male/best mate, 40 50. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 357970

42YR old Sagittarian 5ft 7ins, brown hair, blue eyes, seeks genuine, caring guy interested in films, meals out, country walks, gardening and travel, 45-55. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 353309

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WHITE 5?'s genuine modern West Brom female, divorced, easygoing, seeks fit medium male, 50 60 for LTR. Car owner preferred. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 358855

SHROPSHIRE lady, 37, likes country side, sex, travel, cooking, sewing, lived on farm, seeks special genuine gent for nice match. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 334241

CURVY red haired female, been hurt in the past seeks older male to help her flowers and mend her broken heart. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 377432

ATTRACTIVE mum, 48, 5ft 8ins, cinema, walks, country, WLTM attractive male of similar age for friendship, maybe more. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 341479

SLIM attractive, self sufficient lady, 48, CSOH, seeks special male, 35-50 to share evening in/out, theatre, possible relationship. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 351873

ATTRACTIVE slim blonde, 45, seeks honest, caring, genuine male, 45-55 for friendship, maybe more. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 340651

FEMALE kind, giving, thoughtful, sensitive, seeks lifetime friend to love and understand me for who I am. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 350307

72YR old widow, smart, likes travel, conversation, dancing, cooking, missing that special man in her life who is easy going and N/S. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 340265

FUN loving, attractive 8?ys old widow likes socialising, meals out and dancing WLTM a male with a CSOH. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 139005

LISA 32, size 8, seeks male, 32 48 for friendship, maybe more. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 348713

32YR old female, brunette, N/S, likes walks, concerts, theatre, seeks male, 2? 3? for friendship. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 300095

PROFESSIONAL lady, young 50, fresh, sociable, pleasant, kind, likes country side, outdoors, holidays, family life, seeks pleasant, committed Christian male. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 378403

OPEN friendly Christian female, professional, seeks kind, caring, Christian male for friendship and more. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 348867

LADY N/S, car owner, seeks lonely retired gent with old fashioned values for friendship/days out and holidays. Stourbridge. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 354139

SINGLE mum, non drinker, seeks male for nights out, meals and lots of fun. Sedgley Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 353085

ATTRACTIVE female, 45, slim, affectionate, intelligent, seeks honest, caring male for fun and friendship, maybe more. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 301001

FRIENDLY black female, attractive, 48, single mum, professional, seeks attractive, solvent, trendy, professional, genuine male for LTR. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 340365

ATTRACTIVE Tall, black female, 57, 30, slim medium build, kind, honest, considerate, own home, seeks genuine, tall, faithful, 34 plus male, 45 70 with own home for serious relationship. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 340217

53YR old female, young at heart, likes cinema, theatre, meals out, pubs, walks, holidays, seeks genuine, trustworthy male, 48 58. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 330275

ATTRACTIVE single mum, 40, outgoing, seeks similar guy for good times, possible relationship. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 348979

PRINCE wanted, must be 50, loving, caring and honest, would keep. I am late 50's and attractive. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 337465

WEST Midlands female, 4?, attractive, slim, divorced, N/S, seeks slim, clean, attractive male. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 343795

SLIM curvy blonde, 44, professional, seeks tall, professional male, 40 50 for friendship, maybe more. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 171291

PROFESSIONAL tall, slim, attractive, bubbly genuine lady seeks tall, professional, genuine guy, 40 50. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 215244

BLONDE attractive, educated lady, tall, slim, curvy, 47, seeks tall, professional, 40 52. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 382478

MAUREEN seeks male 52 65 for friendship, maybe more. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 323543

LADY 78, N/S, caring, respectable, WLTM gentleman, 70 78 for outings, holidays, day trips and friendship. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 340027

GENUINE caring, mid 50's female, many interests, CSOH, seeks kind, genuine, loyal male for LTR. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 327465

28YR old brunette, seeks fun loving, adventurous male for relationship. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 330013

ATTRACTIVE slim female, 54, divorced, truthful, 5ft 3ins, modern, young at heart, seeks genuine, nice looking, clean male, 57 67. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 333375

60YR old lady, young at heart, divorced, medium build, likes kisses, cuddles, seeks gent, 50 67 with CSOH and similar likes. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 334627

PRETTY size 8 female, 40, seeks male to spoil and treat her like a Princess. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 335019

BLACK female, 33, seeks male, 30 50, adventurous, fun loving, daring and caring. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 327355

FEMININE pre op TS, seeks male for friendship, maybe more. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 315105

IRENE 72, N/S, active, 5ft 2ins, slim, blonde hair, seeks similar male for friendship, maybe more. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 337301

ATTRACTIVE widow, 5ft 8ins, CHAC, CSOH, likes meals out, holidays, WLTM gent, 70 80 for friendship and happiness. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 330481

GENUINE caring widow, 64, attractive, likes reading, holidays, meals out, seeks genuine N/S male, 60 68. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 378589

BOSSY lady 44, dark hair, fit, slim, good looking, seeks male, 40 50 who will do as he is told. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 328119

FEMALE medium build, seeks nice N/S male, 40 42 for fun and friendship, maybe more. West Midlands. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 337935

WIDOWED female, 6?, likes socialising, holidays, meals out, seeks male for friendship, maybe more. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 330795

ATTRACTIVE glamorous, black female, young 44, seeks male for friendship/dating and LTR. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 330799

FEMALE 52, 5ft 2ins, divorced, likes walking, dancing, cinema, meals out, seeks genuine, N/S male, 50 55. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 175714

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SHROPSHIRE male, 58, N/S, quiet, lonely, WLTM 50 plus, medium sized female for friendship, company, kisses and indoor fun. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 365403

GENT 40, CSOH, likes music, pubs, meals out, seeks nice lady 30 40 for friendship/relationship. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 365365

HANDSOME kind, fit male, youthful 48, fun, romantic, solvent, great company, seeks slim, attractive, independent, educated lady, up to 45 for LTR. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 303270

NEVILLE 5ft 8ins, blue eyes, black hair, likes walks, camping, cooking, seeks female for fun and friendship, maybe more. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 340570

MALE 45, average build, seeks female, 35-50 for fun, friendship, nights in and out. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 338643

HANDSOME attractive, fit, professional looker, 38, WLTM attractive, honest, caring lady, 3? 45 for LTR. Colour unimportant. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 270790

MALE 48, 5ft 8ins, blue eyes, seeks female, 30 50. Shropshire. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 322713

LONELY bloke, blond hair, blue eyes, seeks nice lady for fun, maybe more. Single mum welcome. Hereford. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 355090

DIVORCED male, Caucasian, 57, looks younger, seeks special lady to fill the empty space in life. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 340093

47YR old male, N/S, 5ft 8ins, kind, affectionate, seeks similar slim medium build female, 30 50 for nights out, friendship and maybe more. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 324820

COLIN 5ft 6ins, average build, young 67, CSOH, seeks female with CSOH. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 340457

33YR old male, average looks, attractive personality likes shopping, eating out and music seeks a female, 25 35, for friendship and more. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 128088

TALL fit good looking friendly guy with CSOH, 40, seeks adventurous lady for fun only daytime liaisons. Halesowen. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 358747

THOUGHTFUL adventurous, attractive guy 3?, CHAC, likes nights in/out, seeks attractive girl with similar interests. Single mum welcome. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 360863

SINGLE guy seeks nice lady for fun, maybe more. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 364305

SHROPSHIRE country gent, 48, no ties, seeks Shropshire country lady for LTR. Must be honest and genuine, 25 45. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 364397

1972 model male, 38, 5ft 8ins, average looks/build, blue eyes, CSOH, seeks female, 18 55 for friendship, maybe more. Single mum welcome. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 364261

STOP! Steve 52, confident, seeks high heeled, female for fun and adventure. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 227208

HELP lady, help! Inexperienced CD, 52, seeks understanding female for fun and excitement. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 226021

70YR old male CHAC, in good health, seeking female 50 70. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 365107

SINGLE 47ys old male, seeks nice, kind, gentle, loving female. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 365019

ACTIVE 3?ys old, slim, dark hair, loves life, has many interests, seeks female for friendship, maybe more. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 352753

SIMON 53, N/S, dark hair, attractive, CSOH, 5ft 8ins, likes meals out, cinema, theatre, music, dancing, days out, holidays, walks, keep fit, seeks attractive female, 40's with CSOH and similar interests. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 364725

JEFF 47, young looking, seeks female of similar age for meals out and travel. Stourbridge and surrounding area. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 364705

CHRISTIAN white male, handsome, medium build, 5ft 9ins, 42, WLTM female, mixed race/British/Caribbean, Christian, 20 38, honest friendship possible LTR. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 364771

FRANCIS 57, likes nights out, a laugh, seeks female with a CSOH. Wolverhampton. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 364381

SPORTY good looking guy, 37, CHAC, good job, likes meals out, pubs, cinema, nights in, seeks attractive female, 27 42. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 364833

GLAMOROUS granny 30 35 required by Georgie 54 for fun. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 362863

ATTRACTIVE male, 35, CSOH, caring, romantic, seeks slim female, 18 35. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 362707

GARY 37, 5ft 2ins, black hair, seeks female for LTR, maybe fun. Single mum welcome. Willenhall. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 352737

ROBERT 8?, national trust member, honest, caring, likes most sports, travel, theatre, seeks lady for friendship, maybe more. Staffs. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 351087

YOUNG 30ys old male, tall, fit, friendly, seeks similar lady for friendship. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 361480

BARRY slim 50, 5?, clean, good looking, active, seeks female. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 361471

GOOD hearted 2?ys old student, looking for loving relationship with female, 18 27. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 362119

MALE 38, good looking, fit, loving, caring, CSOH, WLTM female, 40 55 for friendship, possible relationship. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 235383

HANDSOME male, 47, tactile, romantic, likes meals out, days out, walks, nights in, seeks sensitive, intelligent female, 38 48 for friendship, maybe more. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 322561

27YR old male, seeks genuine female of similar age for friendship and nights out. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 367209

CHARMING fit 4?ys old professional male, seeks lively, caring companion for friendship and fun. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 350945

KEVIN professional male, new to area, seeks friendly, laidback female for nights out. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 317480

gay/friends seeking

MALE 34, attractive, 5ft 11ins, blue eyes, blond hair, seeks slim male for fun relationship. Any area, can travel. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 317302

GAY female, 35, 5ft 5ins, likes badminton, cycling, days out, seeks feminine female, 30 40 for relationship. Tel No: 0905 436 6562 Box No: 382015

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Dudley celebrate in front of their happy fans. Back, from left, guest Byron Bekker, Richard Franklin, Ashley Morris, Luke Chessell and team boss Will Pottinger. Front, from left, Darryl Ritchings, Adam Roynon and Tom Perry.

Heathens take title

DUDLEY have secured the Heathens' first national speedway title in 16 years.

They claimed the National Shield by beating last year's treble winners Buxton 46-44 on their own circuit on Sunday afternoon and by 18 points on aggregate.

Although Dudley took a trophy for finishing top of the National League in their comeback campaign last season, the championship was decided by a play-off system. And you have to go back to 1995 and the Premier League Fours for the last time the Heathens were on the top step of the rostrum.

Cushioned by their 16-point lead from the home leg Dudley, again in front of a good turnout of travelling fans, kept things tight throughout. Adam Roynon was unbeaten but received plenty of support with all seven riders paid for at least one win.

LATE GOALS SINK THE GLASSBOYS

Leamington 3 Stourbridge 2

Two goals in the last 15 minutes swung the Easter Monday game against Stourbridge.

Gary Hackett's men had led twice and shown confidence after their 6-1 home win on Saturday.

The Glassboys were first to threaten after five minutes with Paul McCone sending a close range header inches over the crossbar from a Drew Canavan corner.

Three minutes later, though, the visitors opened the scoring as Canavan sent over a corner and Nathan Bennett powered a header past keeper Tony Breeden.

On 14 minutes Ben Billingham and Sam Rock combined before Ryan Rowe laid the ball back for Rock who sliced his shot towards Josh Craddock who could only head over the bar.

Nine minutes later Aaron Griffiths exchanged passes with Rowe before sending a low centre across the box that Craddock could not quite turn home.

The hosts' best chance of the half came three minutes before the interval with Chris Knight laying the ball off square into the run of Michael Tuohy who snatched at his shot which ran wide of the far post.

Pursued

Leamington improved after the break and Lewis Solly saved superbly when Jamie Sheldon's free-kick was met by a Luke Corbett header. But Leamington equalised when a long kick downfield by Breeden was pursued by Corbett who hooked the ball back for Sheldon who took a touch before smacking it past Solly.

Stourbridge regained the lead when Aaron Drake's free-kick found McCone unmarked at the far post to head home.

But Corbett won a penalty, converted by Richard Batchelor, and with five minutes left Batchelor cut the ball back for Corbett to fire the winner.

Stourbridge are the six-shooters

Stourbridge 6 Bashley 1

STOURBRIDGE cruised to an easy victory in their final home game of the season to confirm they will finish eighth in the Zamaretto Premier.

Gary Hackett's men raced into a five-goal lead by half-time on Saturday as the visitors struggled.

Stourbridge were in front after just four minutes when a corner saw Paul McCone rise with Bashley's Gary Middleton, the visitor appearing to get the final touch.

Stourbridge were gifted a second on 11 minutes. A James Dyson free-kick was flicked on by Nathan Bennett and keeper David Elm collided with his own defender, Luke Whitley, to spill the ball and allow Josh Craddock a tap-in.

James Dyson made it three just past the half-hour after Sam Smith had turned the ball in for him.

The fourth goal arrived five minutes before the break when Nathan Bennett shot home after Drew Canavan set him up. Craddock headed in a Drake corner on the stroke of half-time to round-off a one-sided half and Ben Billingham stabbed home a sixth goal before a Chris Mason headed goal for Bashley four minutes from time.

Eight out of eight

STOURBRIDGE made it eight wins from eight to continue their domination of the Our Lady of Lourdes triples bowls league.

Richard Payne, Keith Mill and Jamie Watkiss took the honours against Wordsley Green by 25-7 at the Kingswinford venue.

Kingswinford's Arthur Bradley, Pam Rogers and Brian Sable won 11-9 against Wordsley Park.

Stourbridge (Brian Brett, George Powell and Ralph Hill) won the Express & Star triples from Kingswinford.

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Saxons stars honoured

Jamie Hearn, left, won a club award while Matt Williams, right, scored a try against Cambridge

JAMES RODLEY and Jamie Hearn collected the end of season honours following Stourbridge Saxons' final home game of the season at the weekend.

Flanker Rodley has put in a string of outstanding back row displays and has managed to bag 10 tries in the process, a total eclipsed only by centre Charlie Hayter. He was named Supporters Player of the Season.

"I'm delighted," said Rodley. "It has been a long tough season not helped by having the break around Christmas, which has meant we had a long run of games without any breaks from January.

"I'm pleased that we have avoided relegation with a couple of good wins."

Rodley has combined his duties at Stourton Park with training at Worcester Warriors together with a number of A League games for the Championship side this season.

"It has been very tough playing for Worcester as well as for Stourbridge but I've really enjoyed it. A League rugby is very open, a showcase for some of the younger players who want to throw the ball around."

Hearn has played the bulk of his Saxons games at full-back but has also appeared on the wing.

He was named Directors Player of the Season and presented with his award by Stourbridge director of rugby Neil Mitchell.

"From our opening match at Coventry I could tell he was very focused and committed," said Mitchell. "Ever since then he has come on leaps and bounds."

The awards followed Saxons' 35-22 home defeat at the hands of Cambridge.

Eight tries and plenty of running rugby proved a real treat as the Saxons finished their Stourton Park fixtures in the party spirit. The spoils were only decided in the final minutes when a Stourbridge fumble led to a converted try.

Sad Yeltz are hit for six by the Pitmen

Halesowen Town 0 Hednesford Town 6

MARVELLOUS Marvin Robinson bagged a Hednesford hat-trick as the Zamaretto Premier runners-up geared up for the play-offs with a six-goal destruction of Halesowen.

The visitors were quickly on the front foot with home goalkeeper Simon Flower under pressure.

He grabbed Alex Melbourne's second-minute cross and Mark Smith made a vital headed clearance for the hosts in the ninth minute.

Hednesford's pressure forced an 18th-minute opening goal on Monday when a cross was diverted into the path of Robinson who headed home.

Despite having his back to goal, Robinson doubled Hednesford's lead after 31 minutes with a delicate overhead kick from 15 yards.

There was little to be seen from the Yeltz going forward, although Anthony Bruce's 36th-minute shot almost foxed keeper Danny Crane before he gathered at the base of his post.

Tally

Robinson nearly added to his tally when his speculative 25-yard shot was clawed away by Flower after 52 minutes.

But Chris Clements made it 3-0 to the visitors in the 61st minute after exchanging passes with Robinson before striking home a low drive.

Robinson completed his hat-trick by stroking home a 73rd-minute penalty after Alex Roofe brought down substitute Kyle Patterson.

To add to Halesowen's woes, manager Shaun Cunnington was dismissed from the dugout in the 75th minute following an altercation with the referee.

The Pitmen got a fifth when Patterson's cross was turned into his own net by Smith eight minutes from time.

Halesowen were finally put out of their season-long misery when Nick Wellecomme was put through to score.

Deadlock down in the cellar

Tiverton 0
Halesowen Town 0

THE CLASH of the two basement teams ended in a predictable deadlock and confirmed Halesowen will finish bottom of the Zamaretto Premier Division with Tiverton also condemned to relegation.

Halesowen's best chance of a dull first half on Saturday saw home goalkeeper Ryan Draper palm the ball away after Felix Kyremeh crossed from the right in the 23rd minute.

Seconds before the break, home striker Jules Emati-Emati hit his shot over from three yards.

Halesowen created several late chances to snatch the game.

Block

Kevin Moncheu broke free after 75 minutes but fired straight at keeper Draper.

Gareth Davies exchanged passes with Moncheu but Draper made a last-ditch block.

Tiverton finally went close when Ryan Leonard's 82nd minute free-kick flew through a crowded goalmouth but rebounded off the far post with Flower beaten.

In the game's final flurry, home goalkeeper Draper made a splendid save to deny Davies in the third minute of injury time and substitute Emmanuel Ibhadon blasted the rebound wide of the target.

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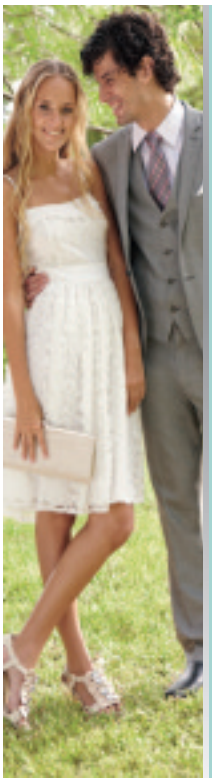

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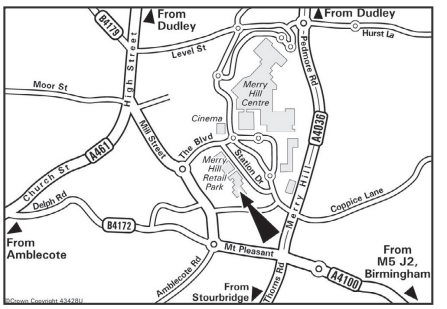

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